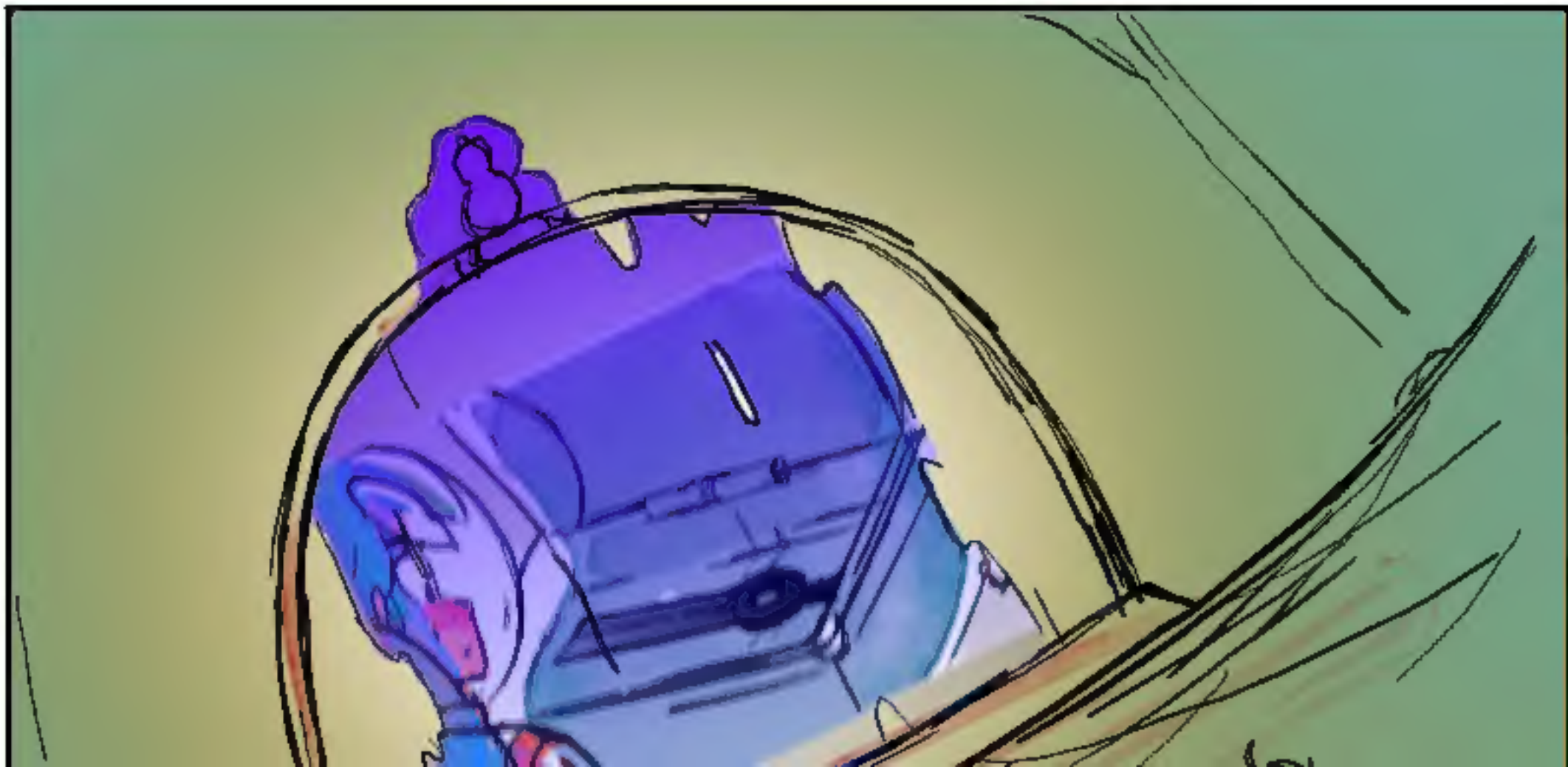
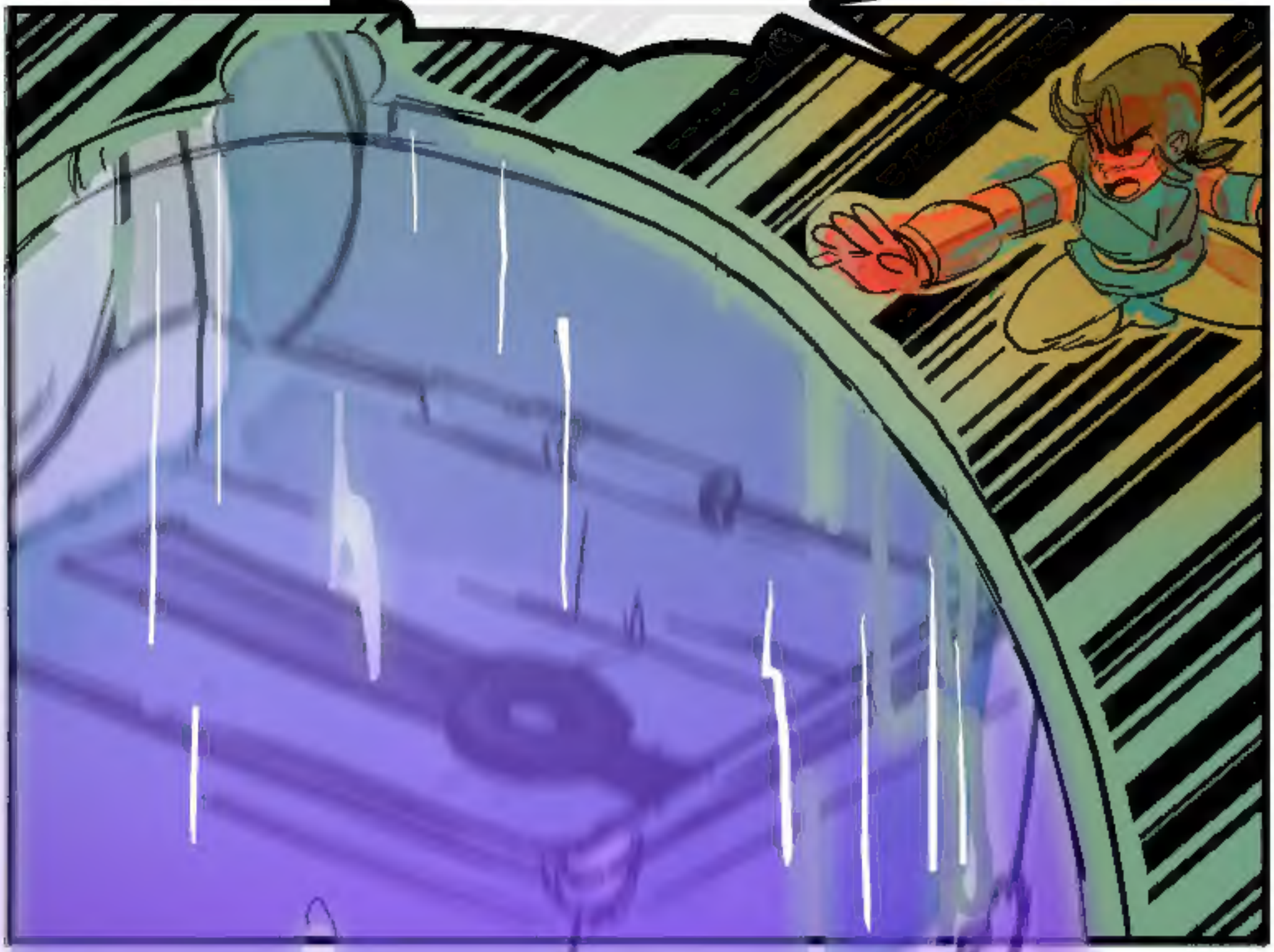
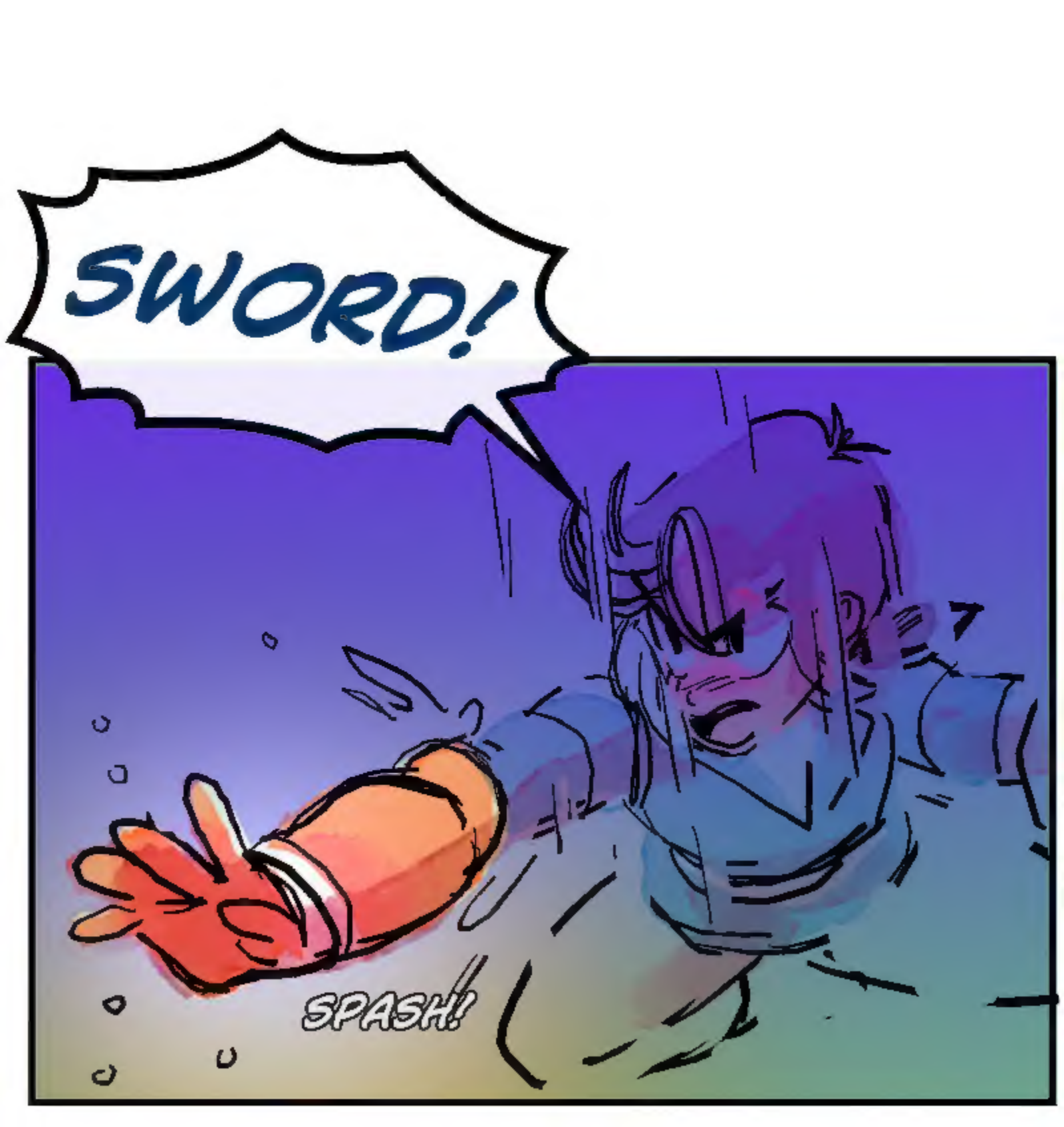


THAT'S...

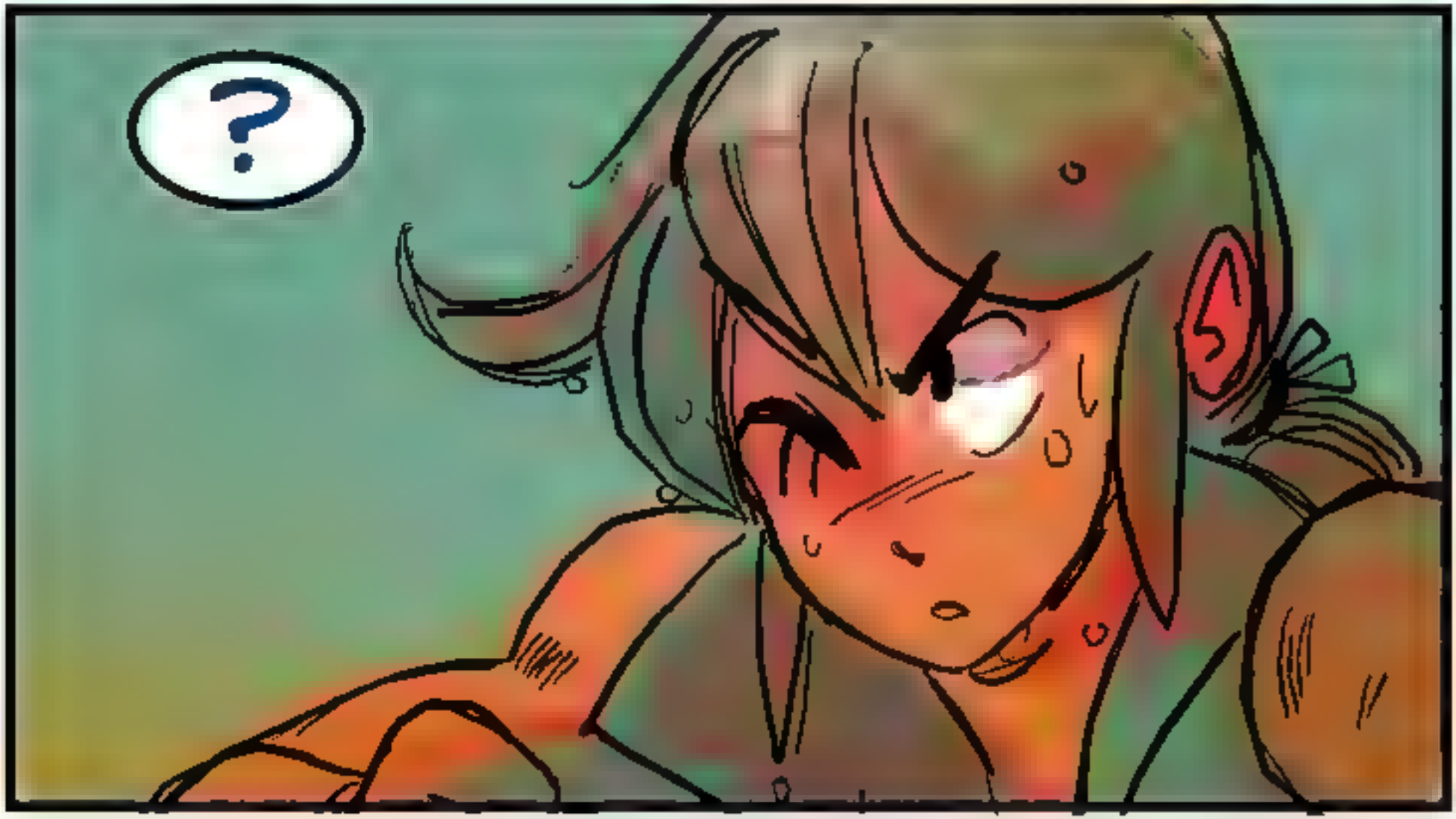
...MY

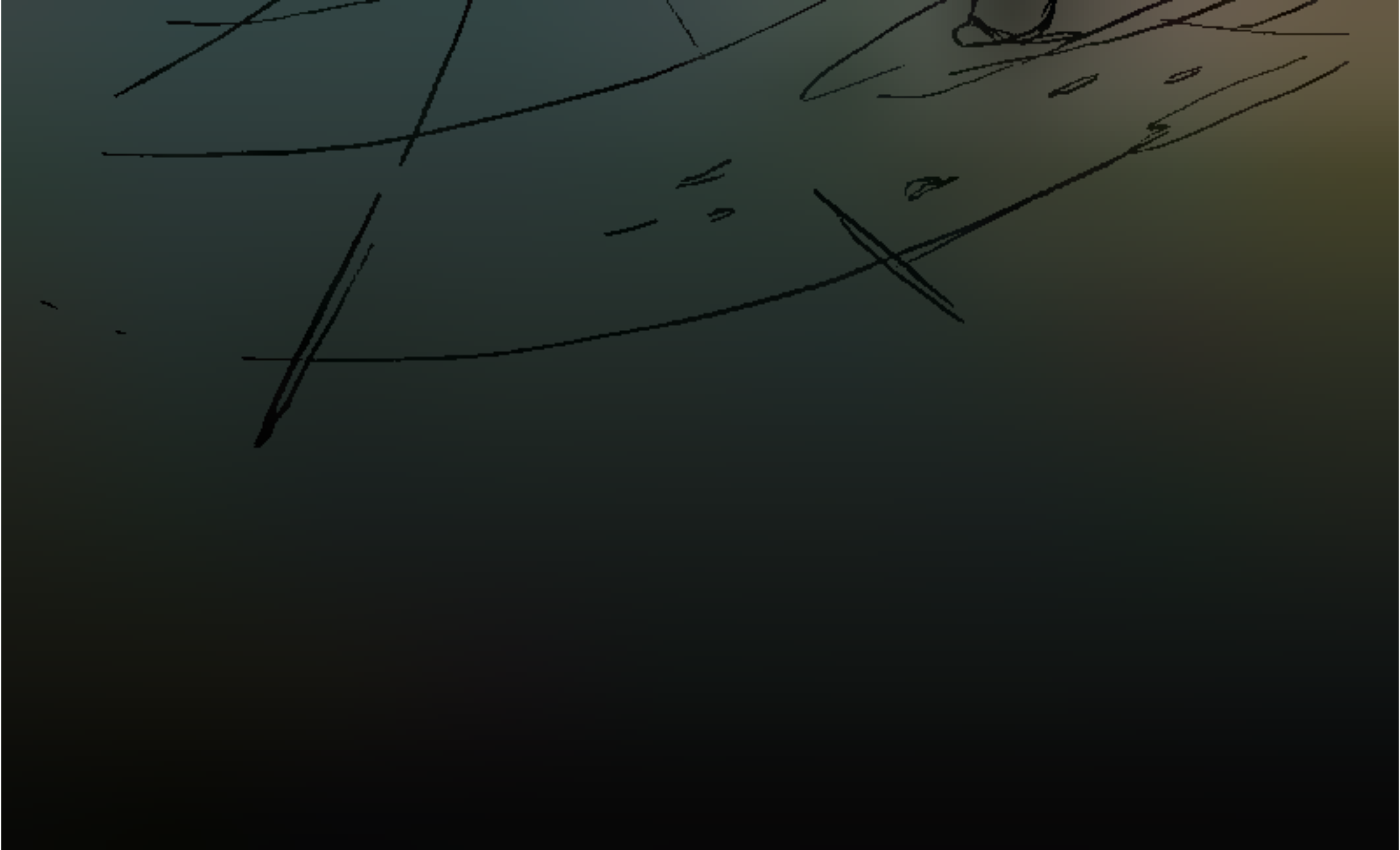



SWORD!
SPASH!

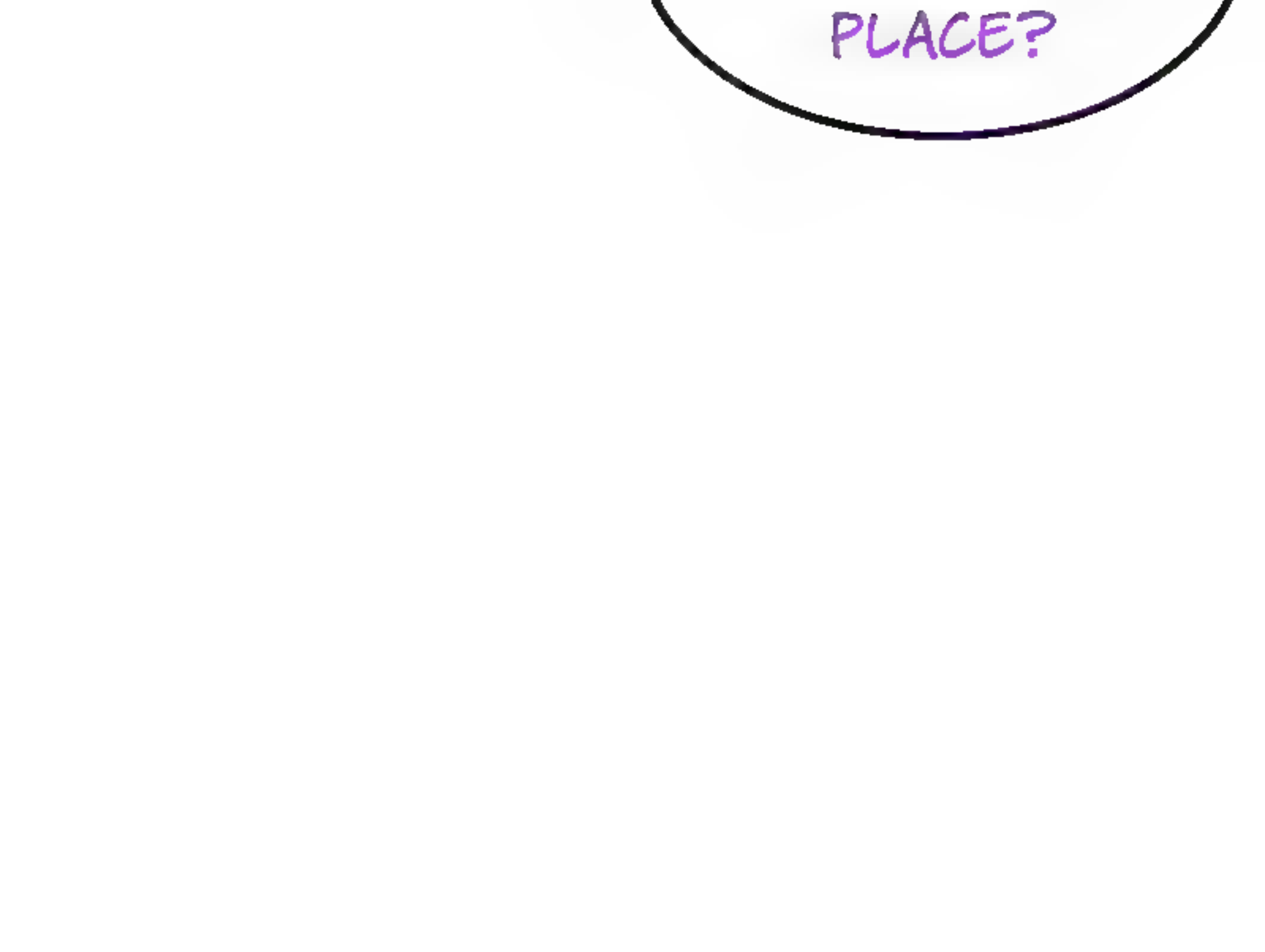
HEY!

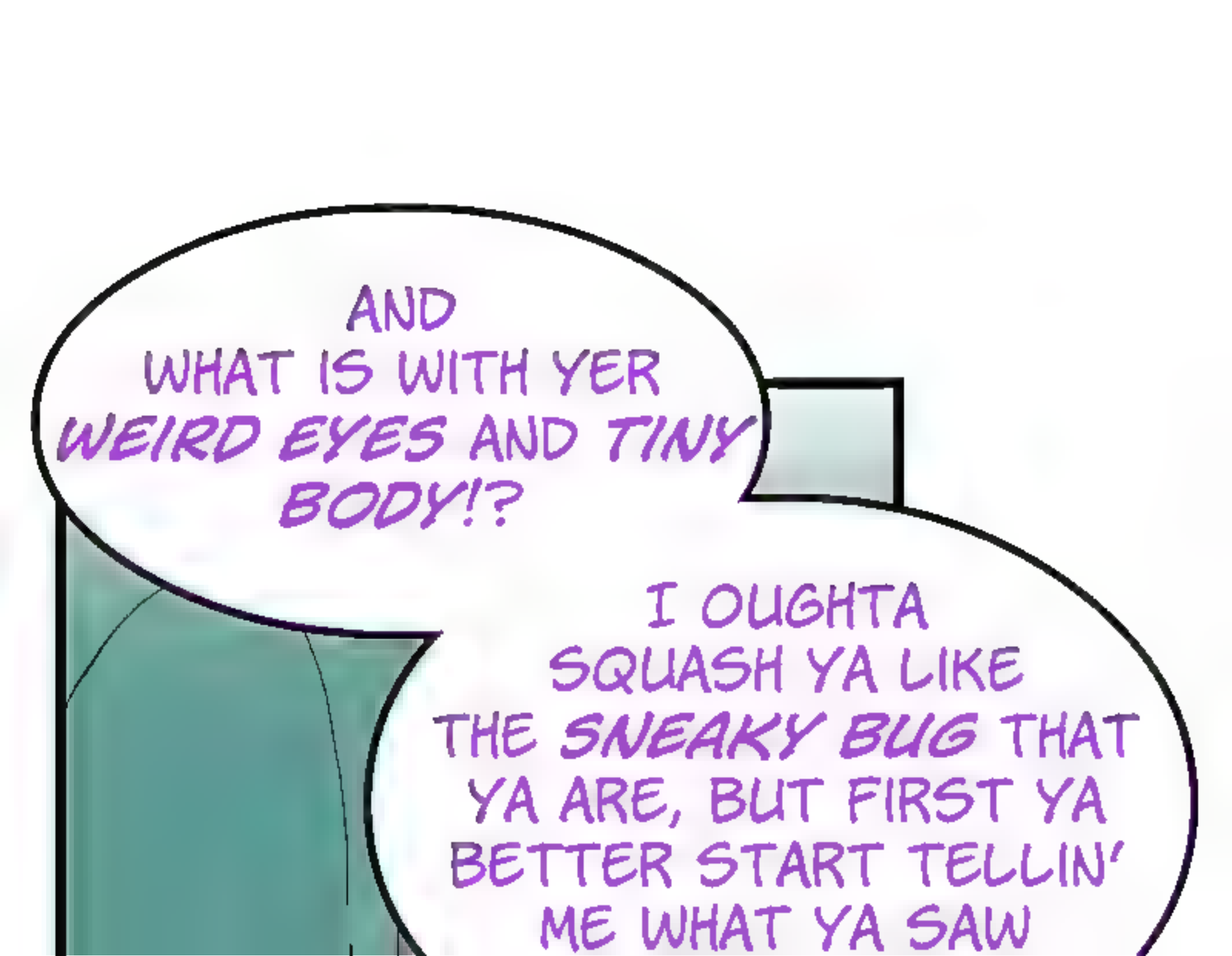
WHAT DID
YA SEE!?

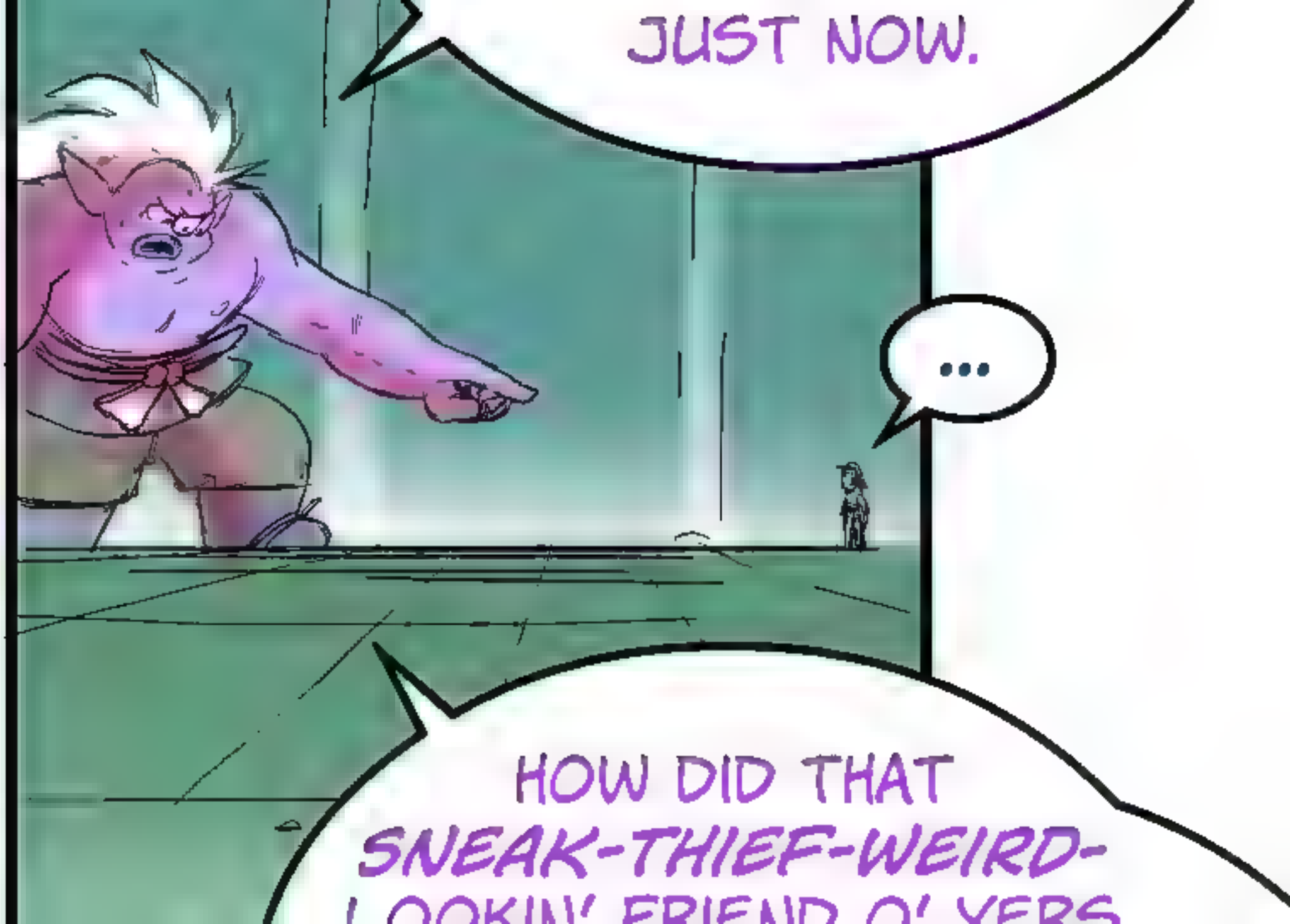


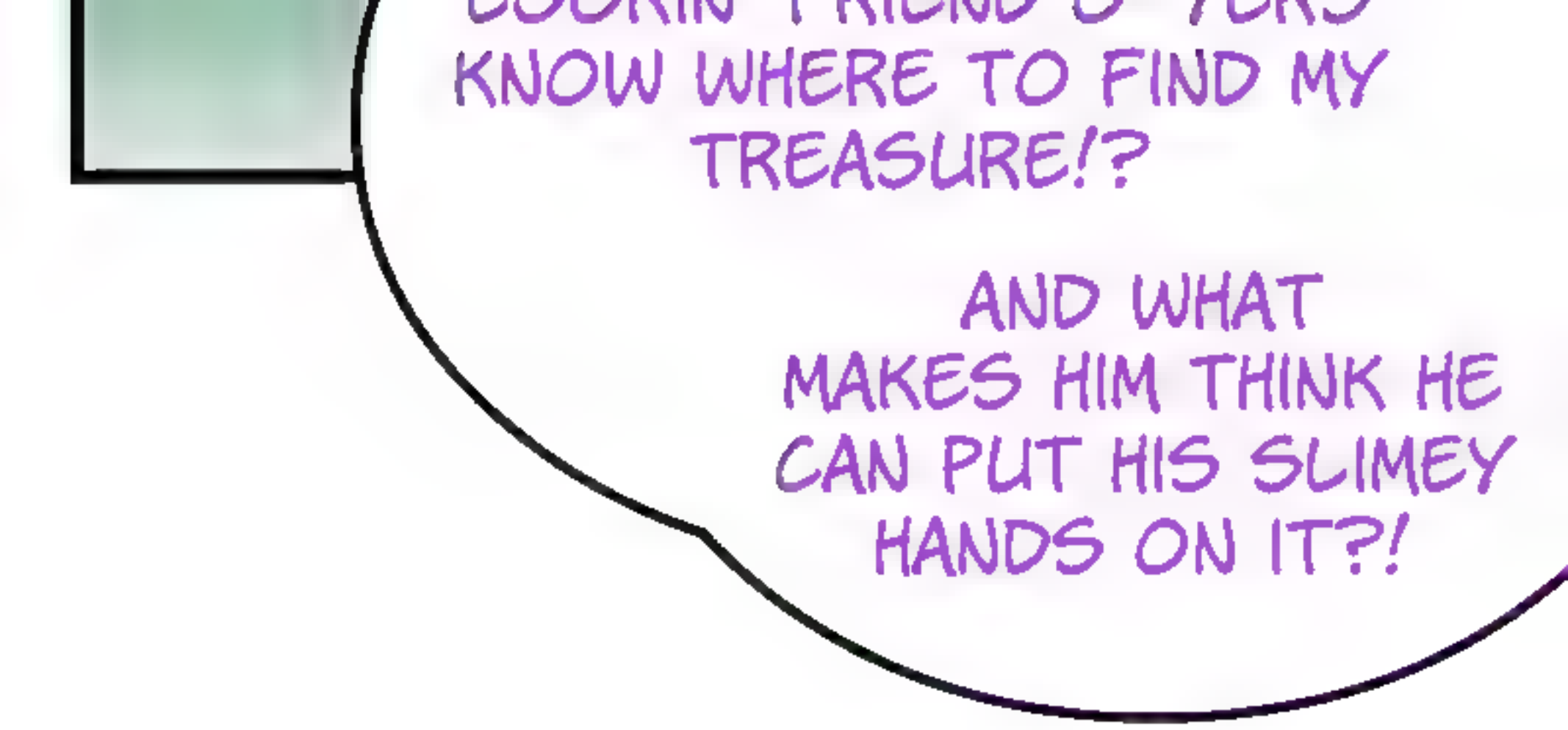


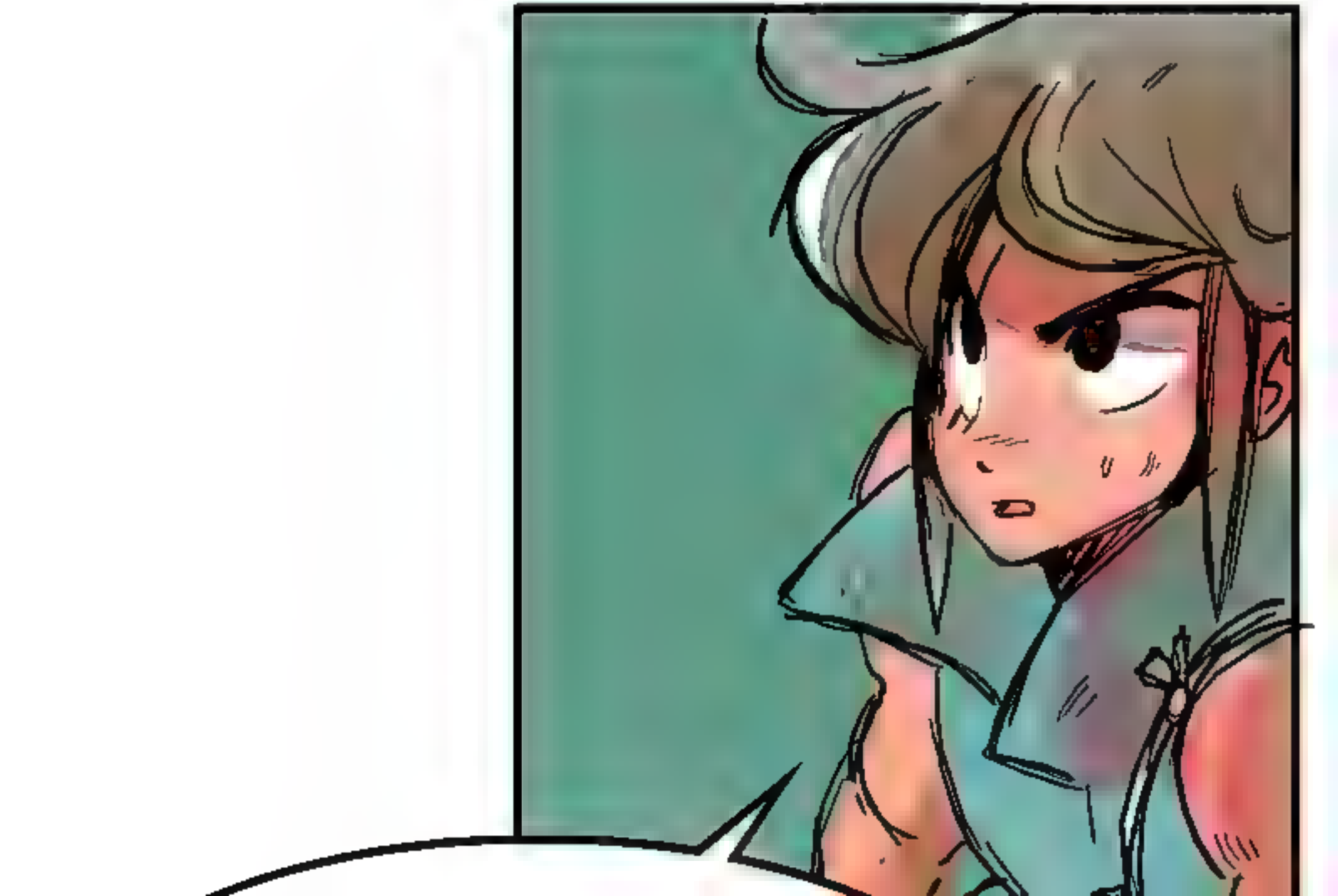
HOW
THE HELL DID
YA FIND THIS

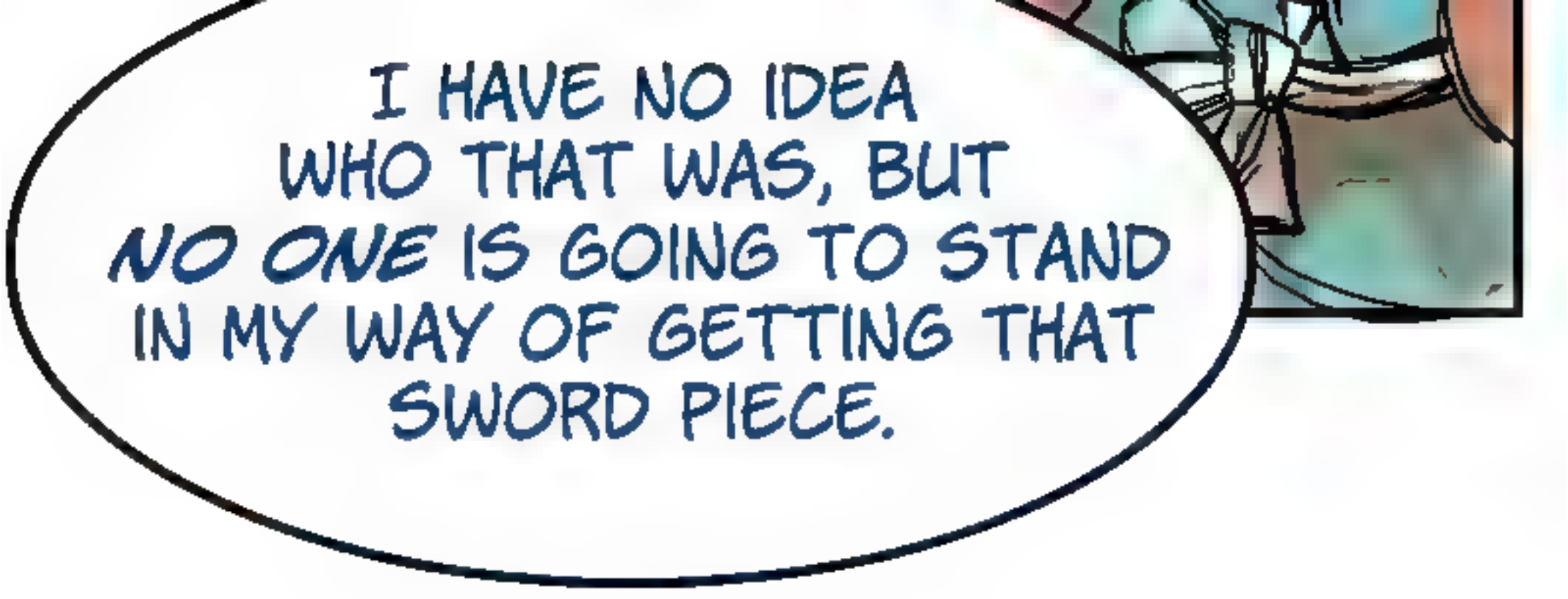

PLACE?


AND WHAT IS WITH YER WEIRD EYES AND TINY BODY!?
I OUGHTA SQUASH YA LIKE THE SNEAKY BUG THAT YA ARE, BUT FIRST YA BETTER START TELLIN' ME WHAT YA SAW


JUST NOW.
...
HOW DID THAT
SNEAK-THIEF-WEIRD-


KNOW WHERE TO FIND MY TREASURE!?
AND WHAT MAKES HIM THINK HE CAN PUT HIS SLIMEY HANDS ON IT?!

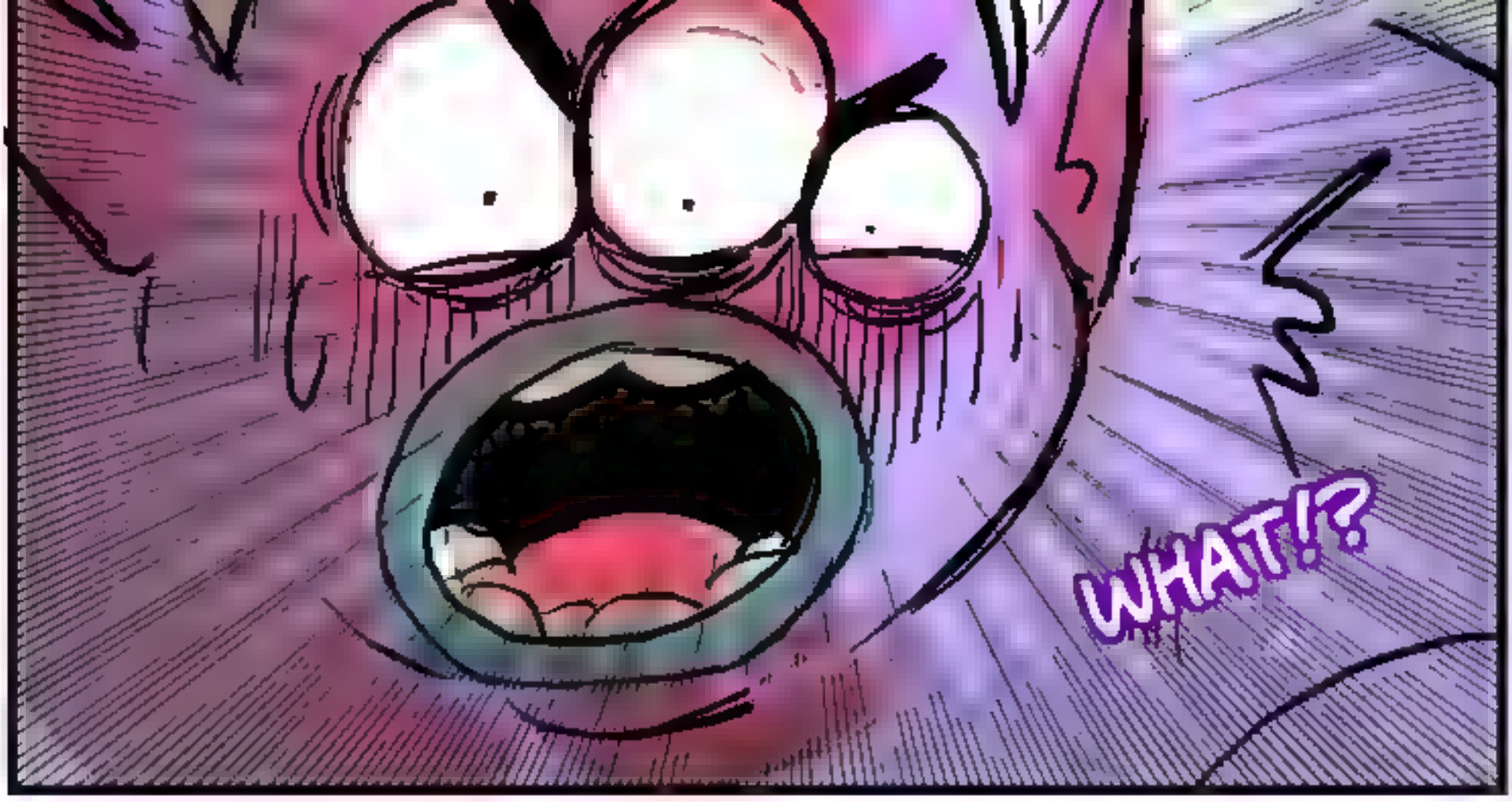



I HAVE NO IDEA WHO THAT WAS, BUT NO ONE IS GOING TO STAND IN MY WAY OF GETTING THAT SWORD PIECE.

AND THAT INCLUDES *YOU!*

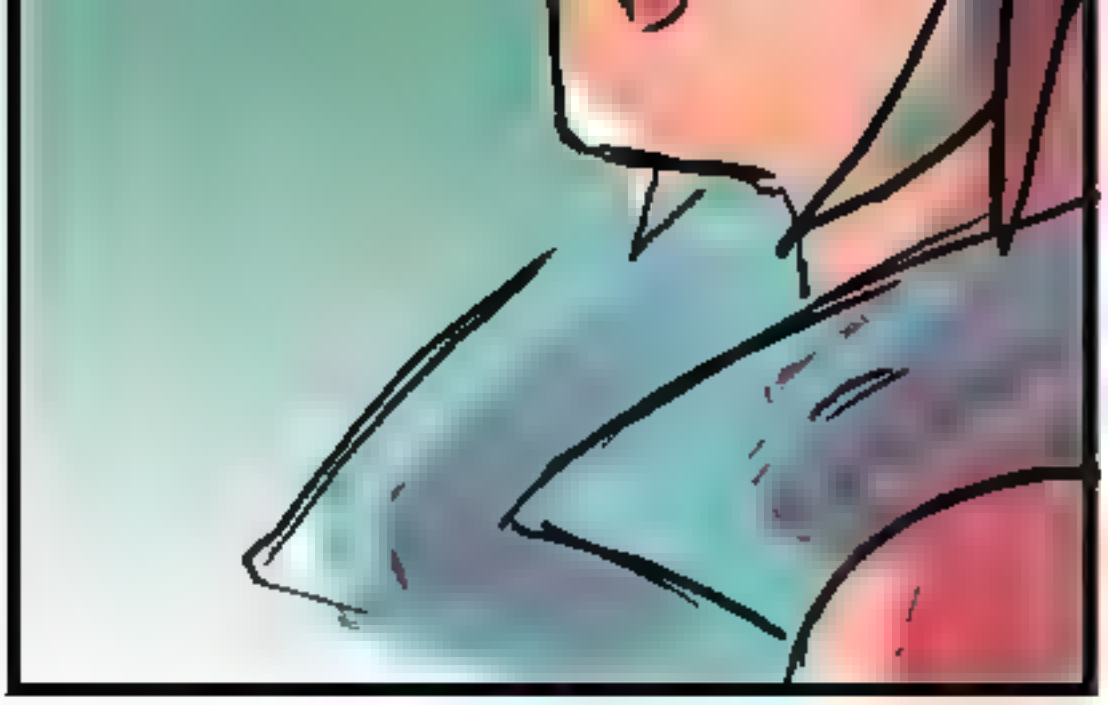
SO *STEP ASIDE* WHILE I'M STILL IN A GOOD MOOD.

YOU'VE ALREADY WASTED ENOUGH OF MY TIME WITH THAT *DUMB* PUZZLE.


WHAT!?

YA BETTER TAKE THAT BACK.

WHY SHOULD I?



SNIFF
SNIFF

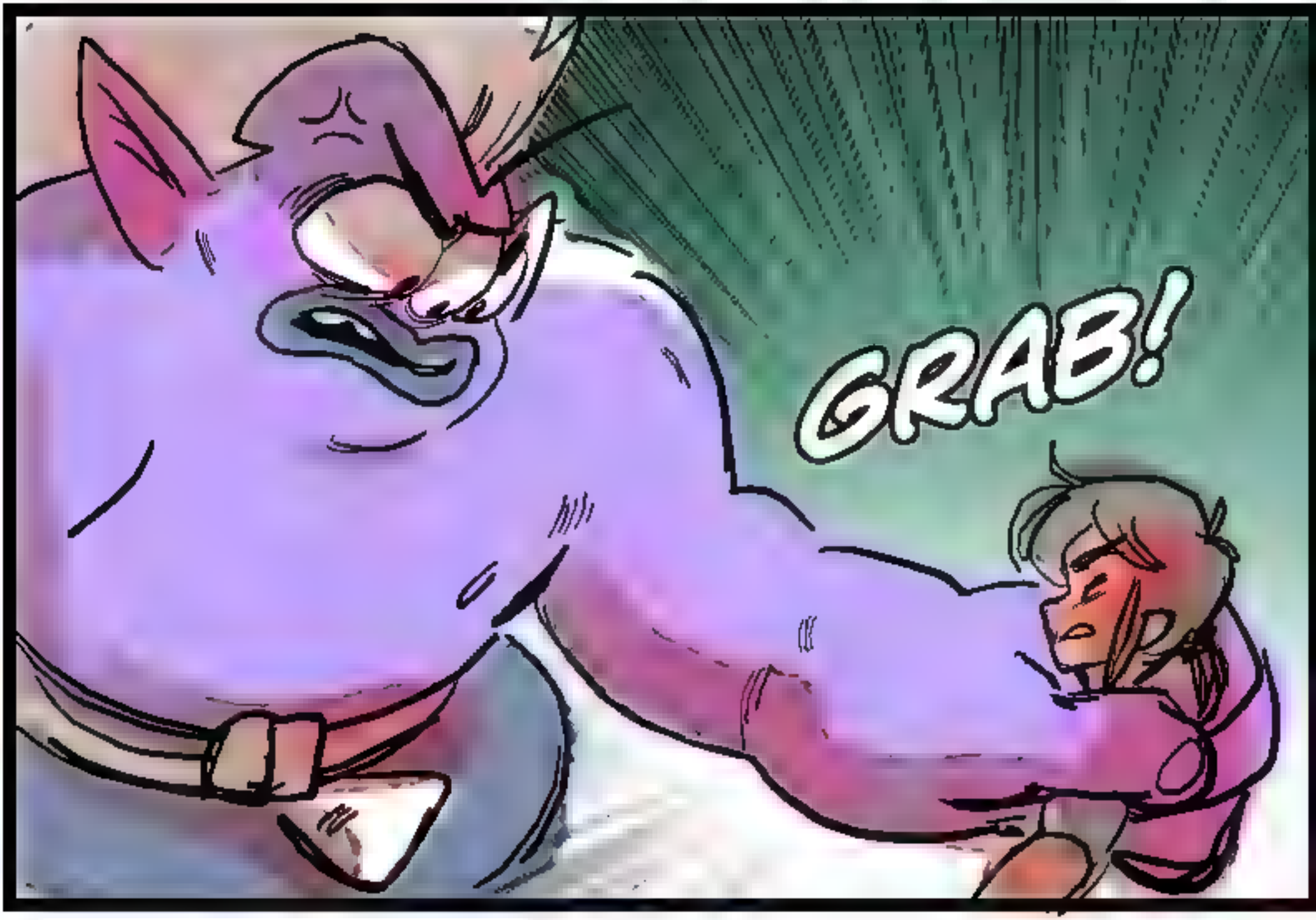
IT WAS DEFINITELY...

THE
DUMBEST
PUZZLE I'VE
EVER SEEN!

foolish
Imbecile
dull-witted
Idiot
stupped
slow
ignorant
ignorant

W-WHY
YA LITTLE
--

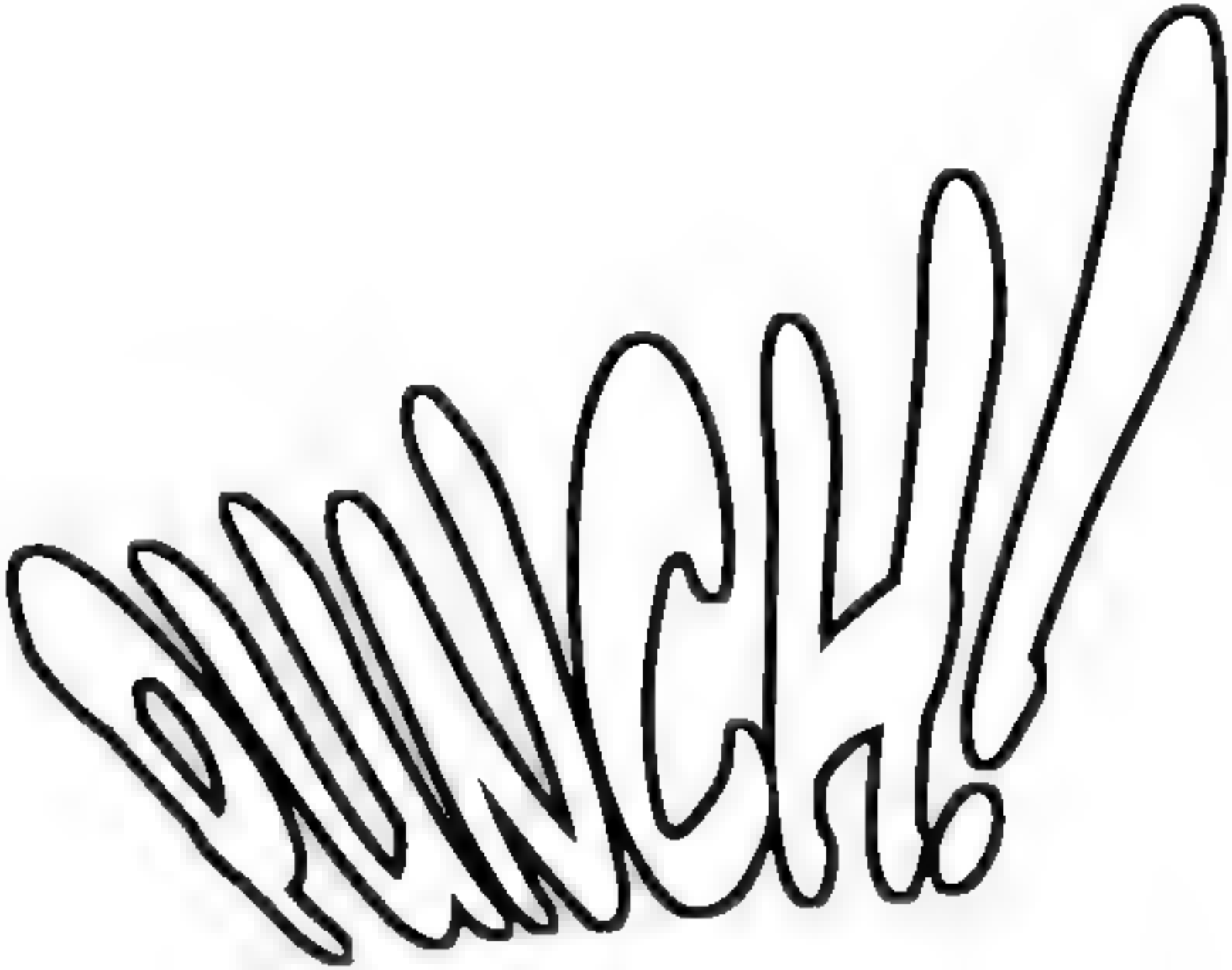
YA SURE HAVE A BIG FAT DIRTY MOUTH FOR A PIPSQUEAK!


GRAB!

WHY DON'T
I WASH IT OUT
FOR YA...

WITH MY

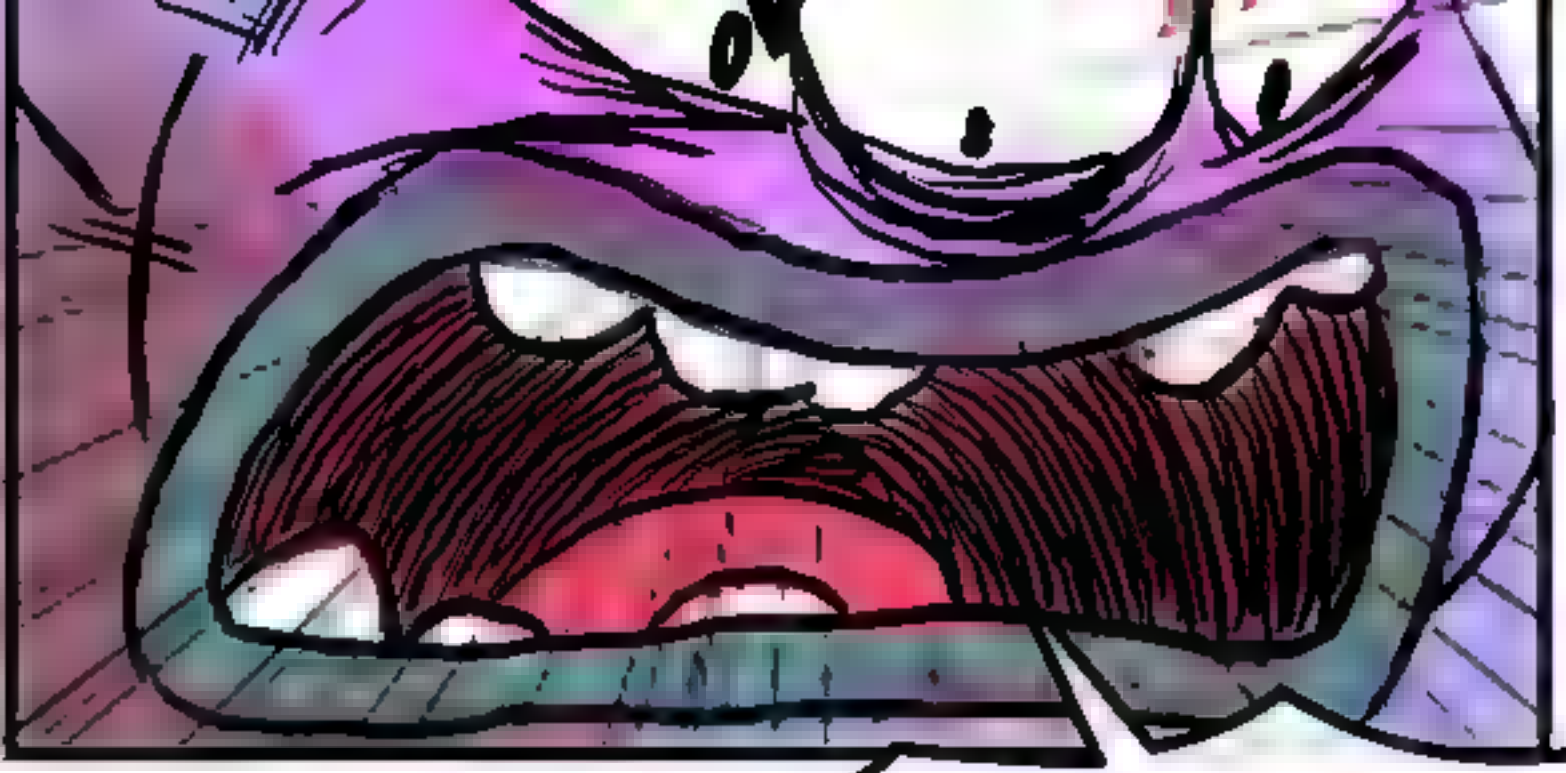
FISTS!


AUCH!

BRAAM!

BAAAM!

YA NEED TO *SERIOUSLY* LEARN SOME MANNERS!



BREAKIN' INTO MY *SECRET LAIR*, STEALIN' MY *STUFF*, INSULTIN' MY *WORK*!

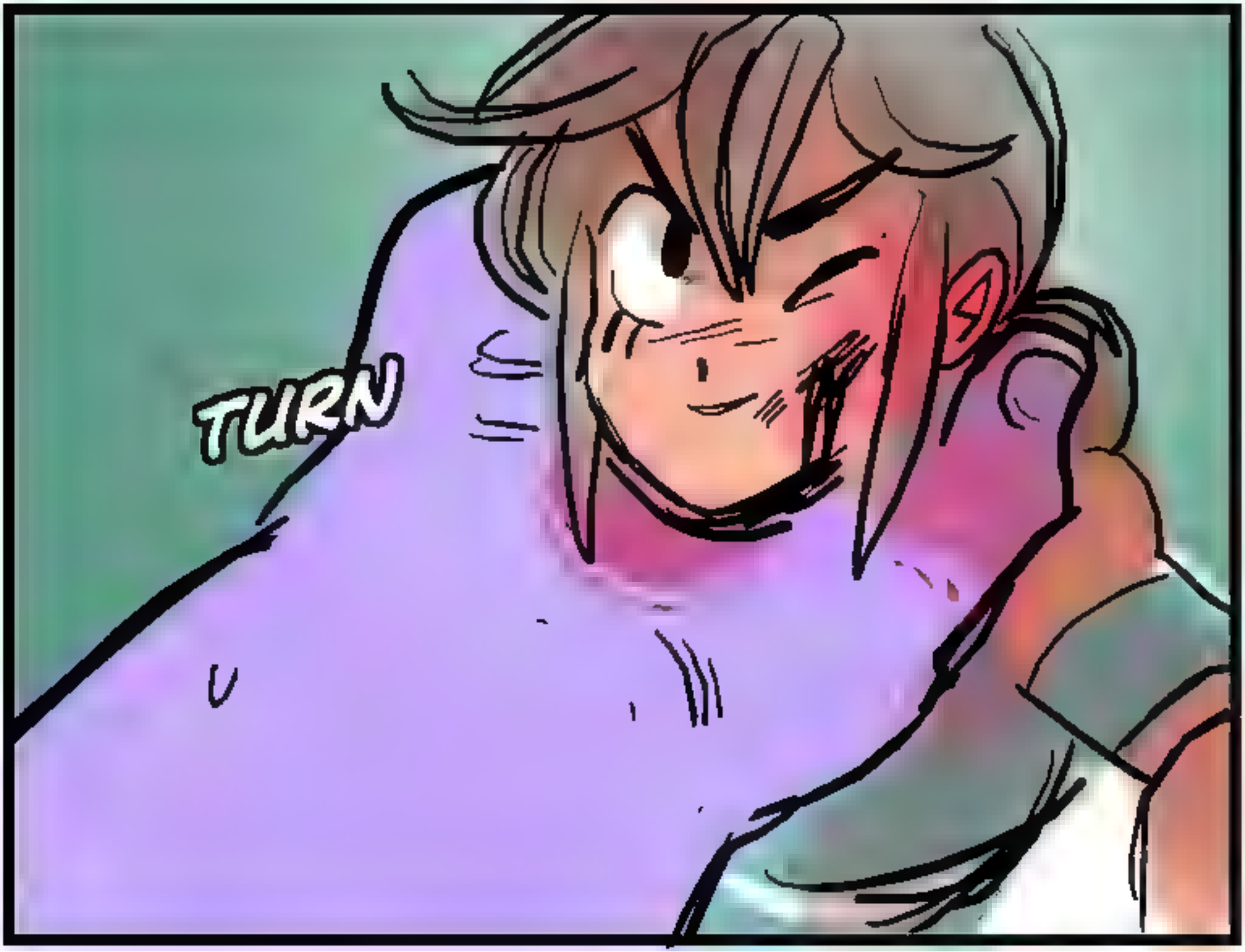
MY WORK!
WHAT GIVES YA THE RIGHT?!

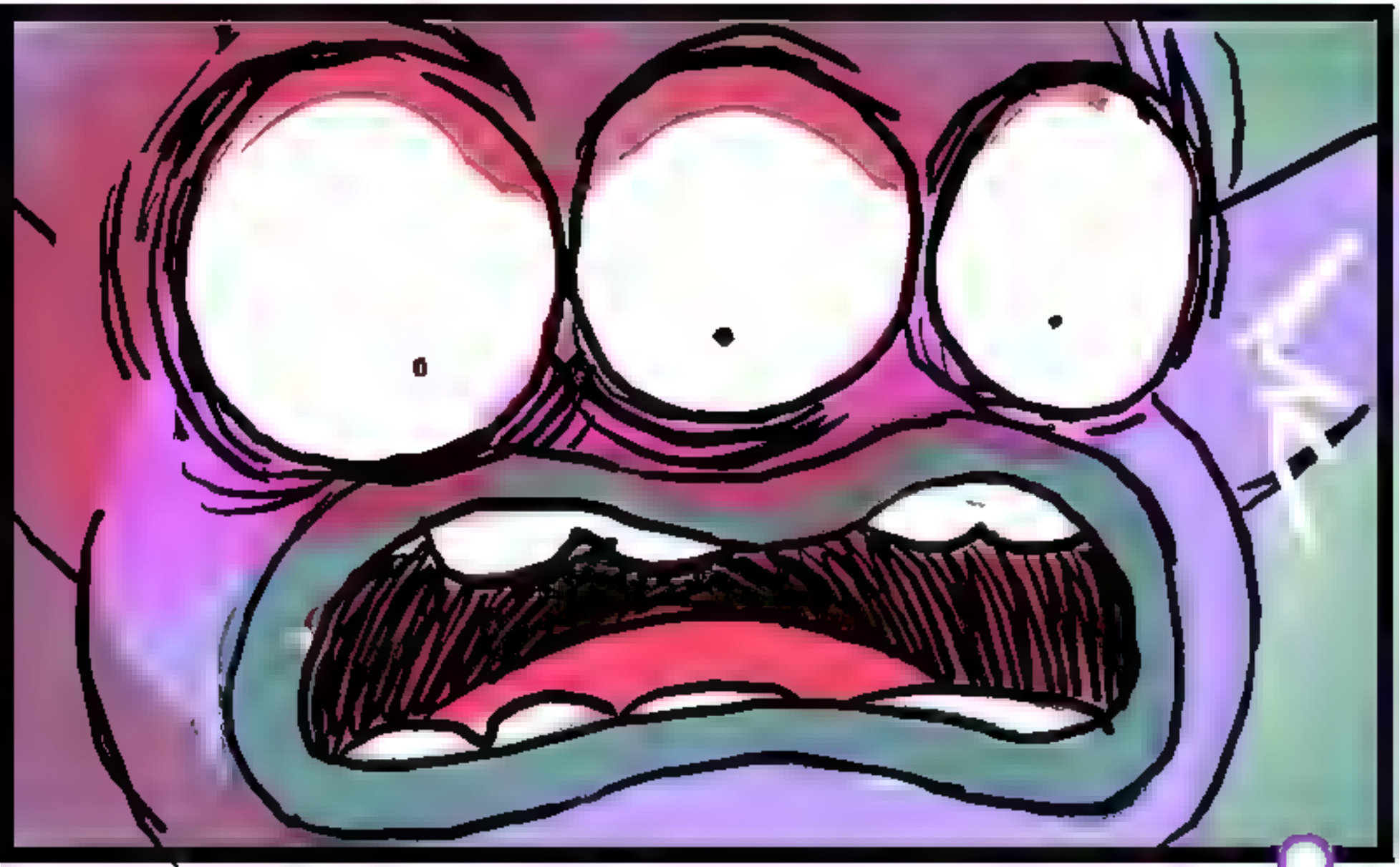
HUFF

PUFF

HUFF

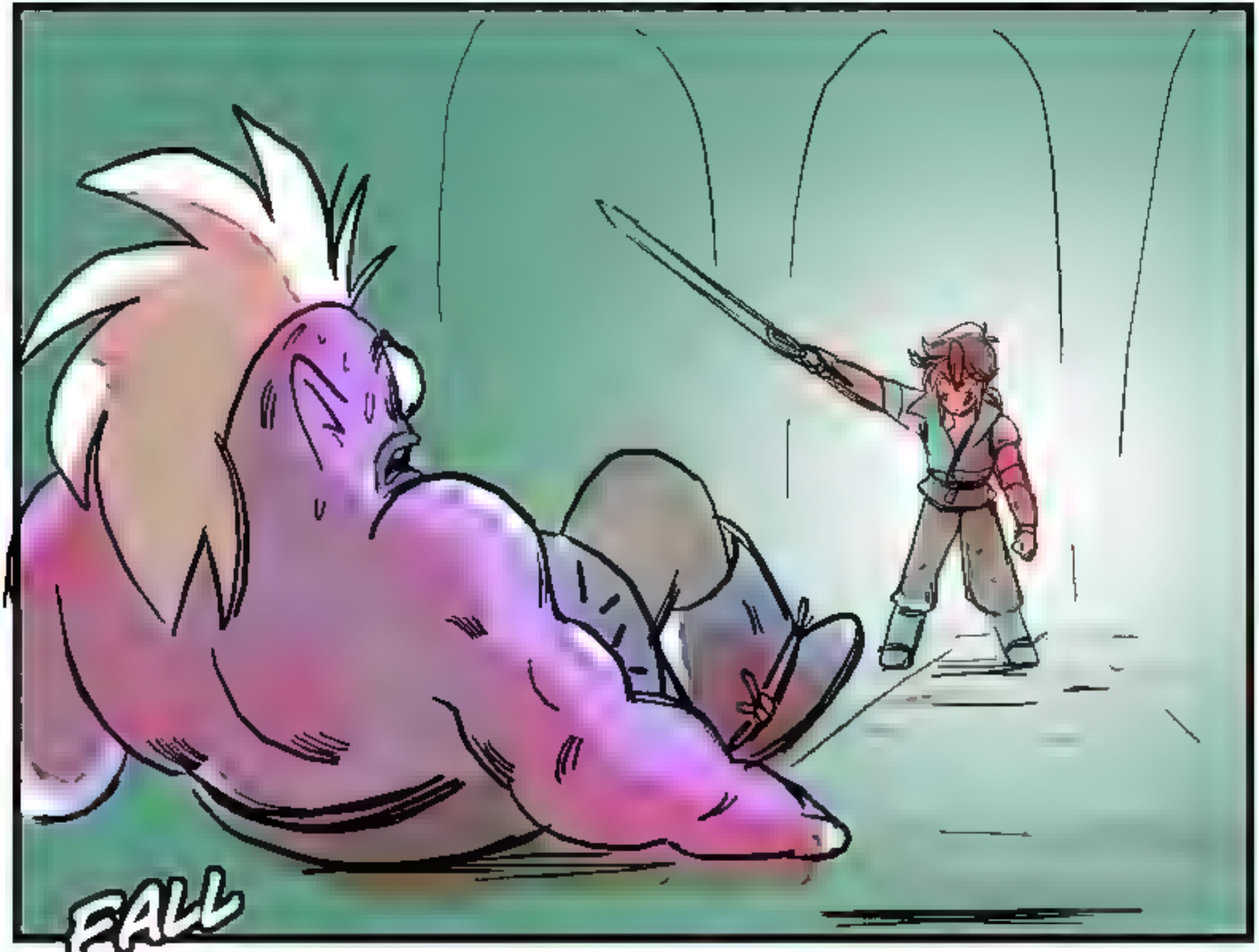
PUFF


TURN



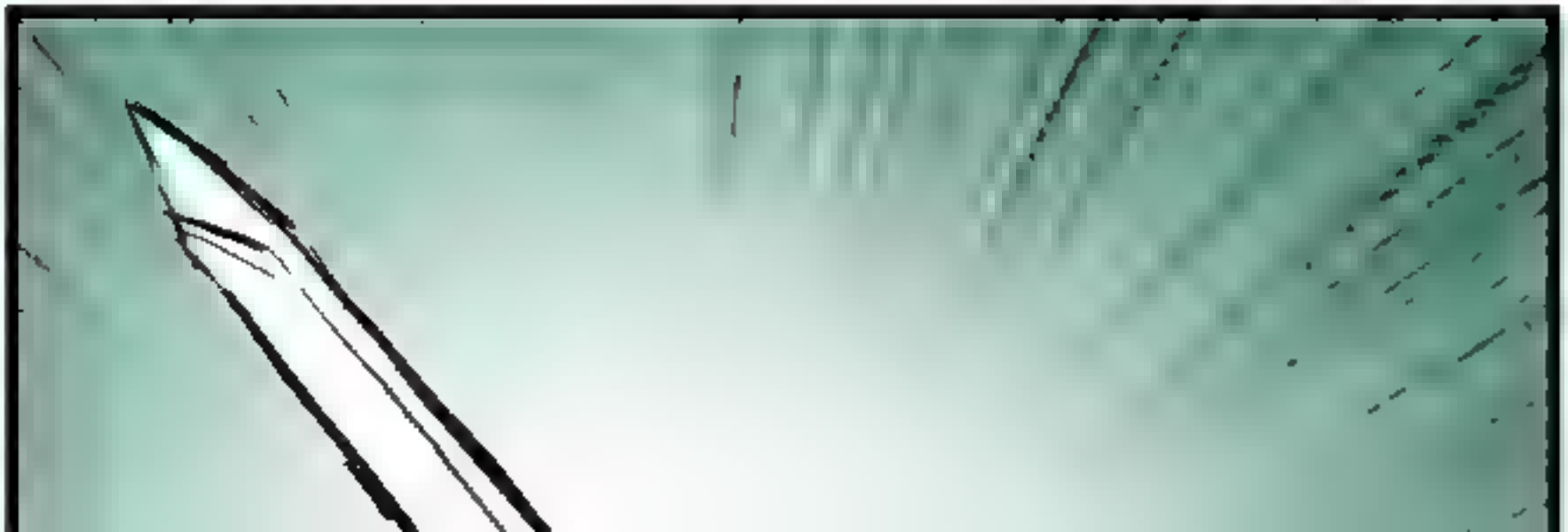
!?!?!

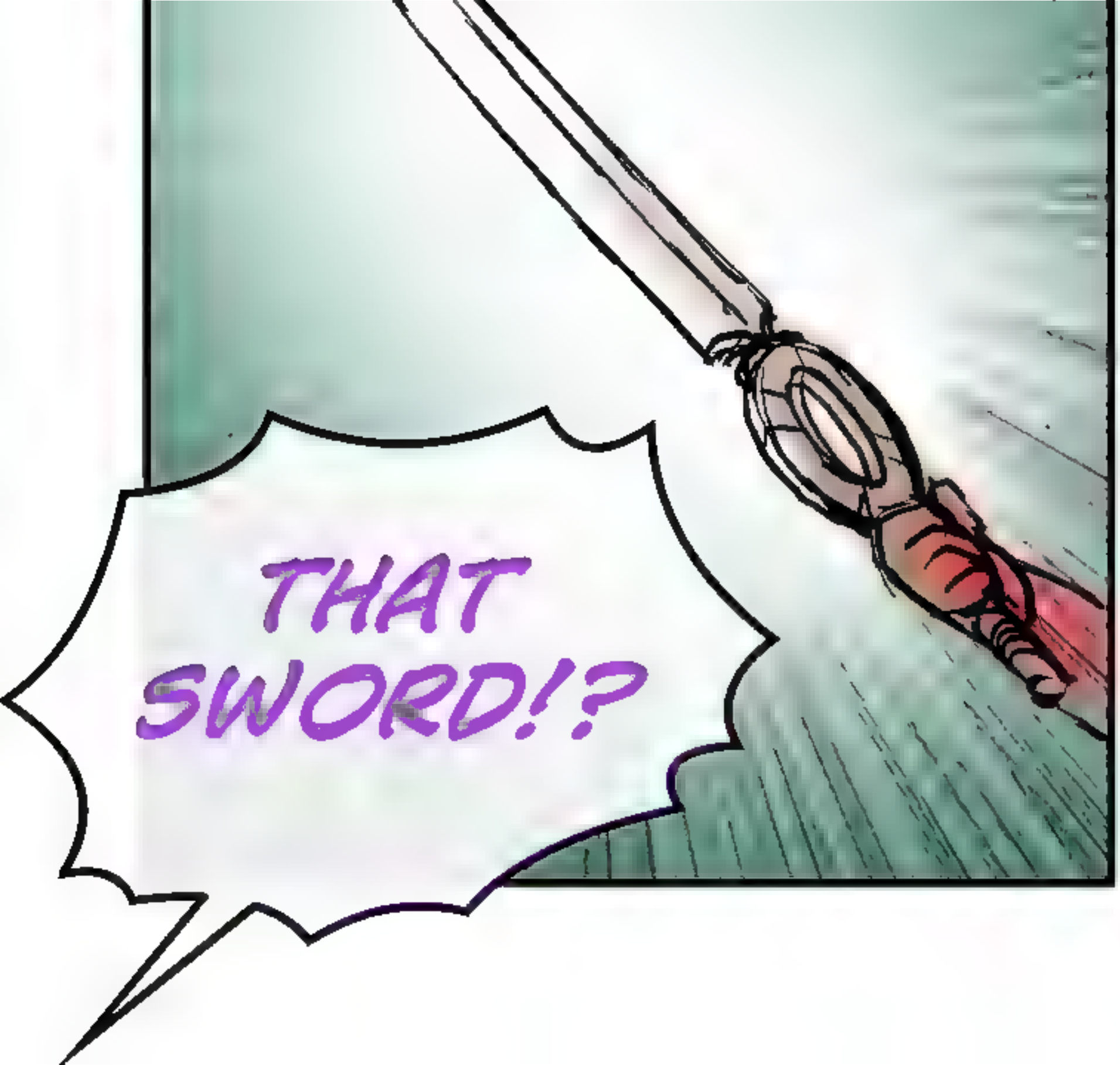
SLASH!!

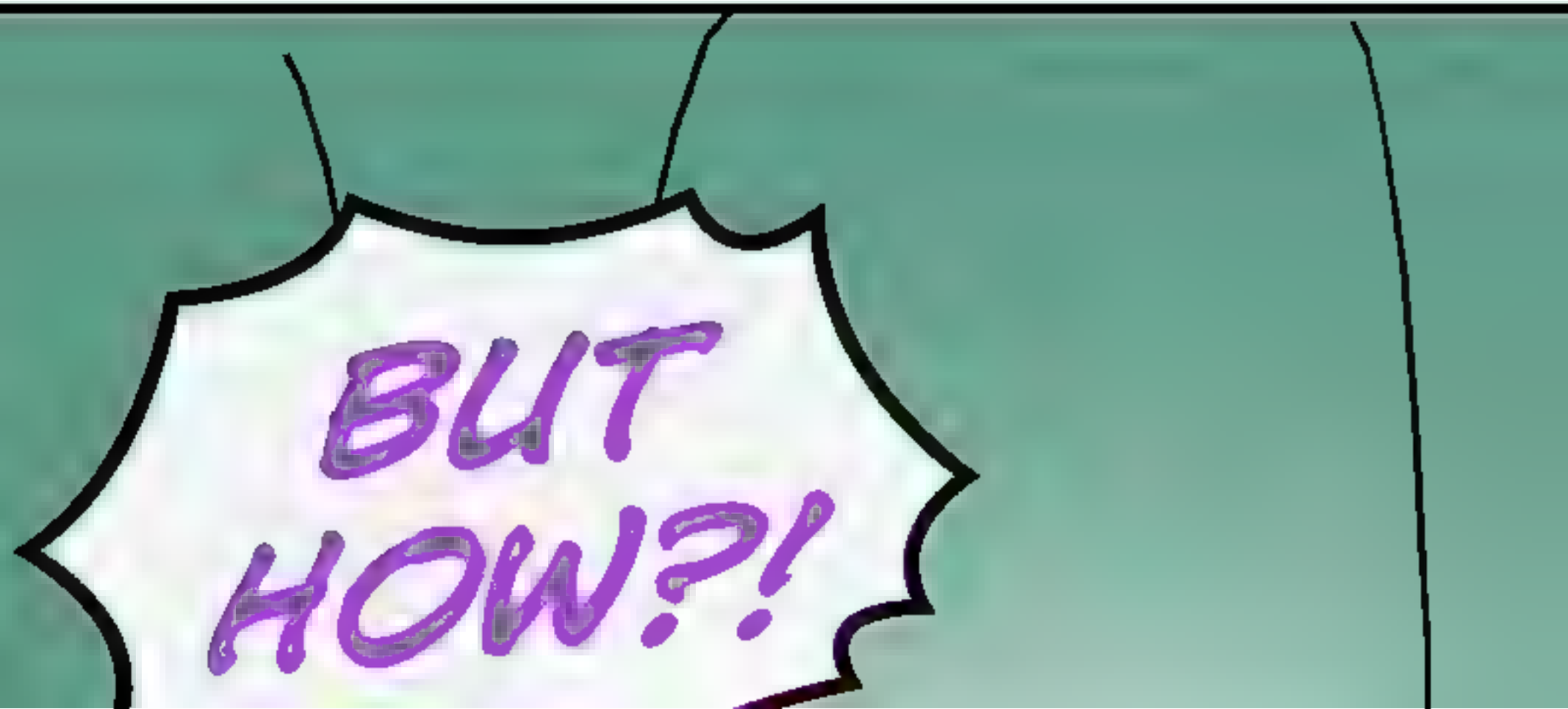

FALL

WHAT THE F*CK!?

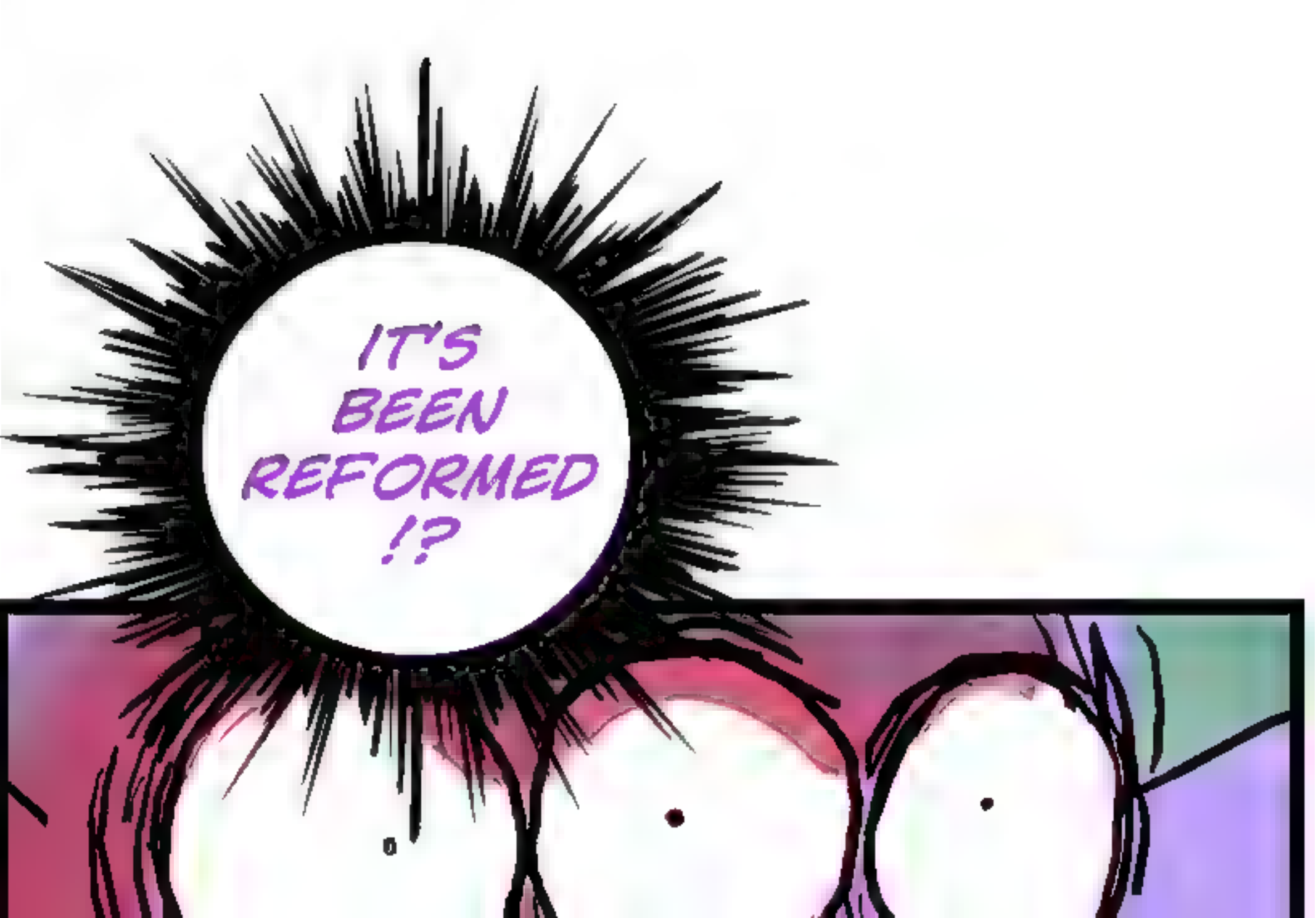
HUH?




THAT SWORD!?


BUT
HOW?!

TAT
TAT


IT'S BEEN REFORMED !?

BUT HE DIDN'T EVEN GET MY HALF YET!

WHO
IS THIS PIPS-
QUEAK!?

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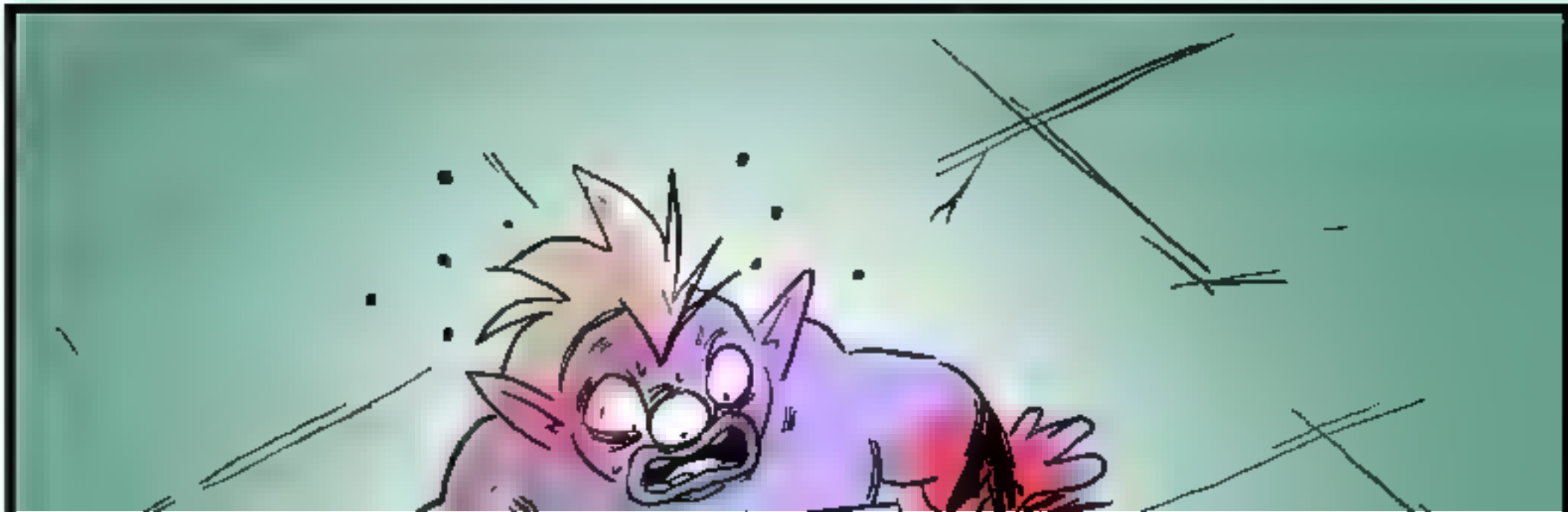
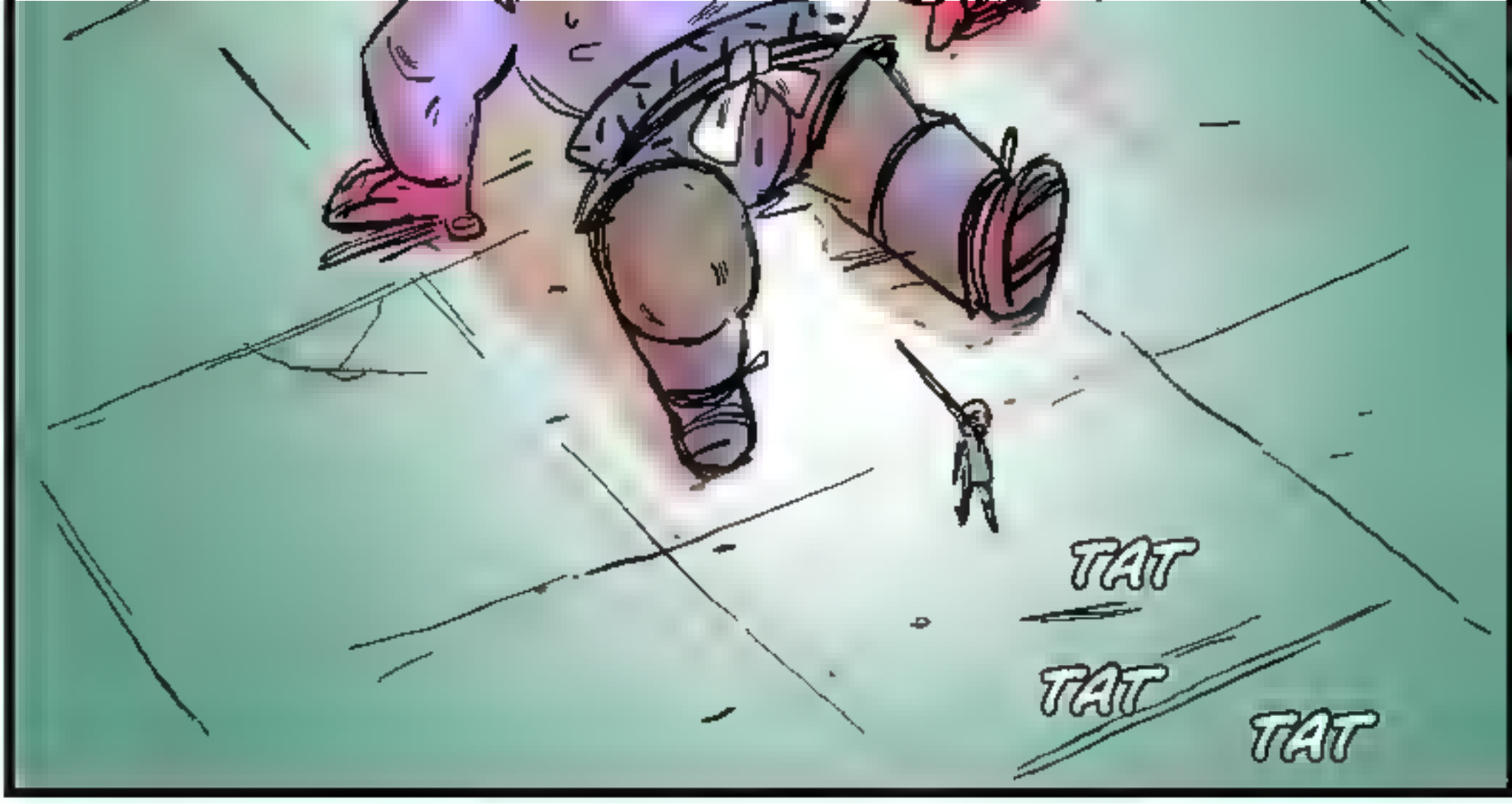
"YOU WILL SEE YOUR DREAMS"




TAT
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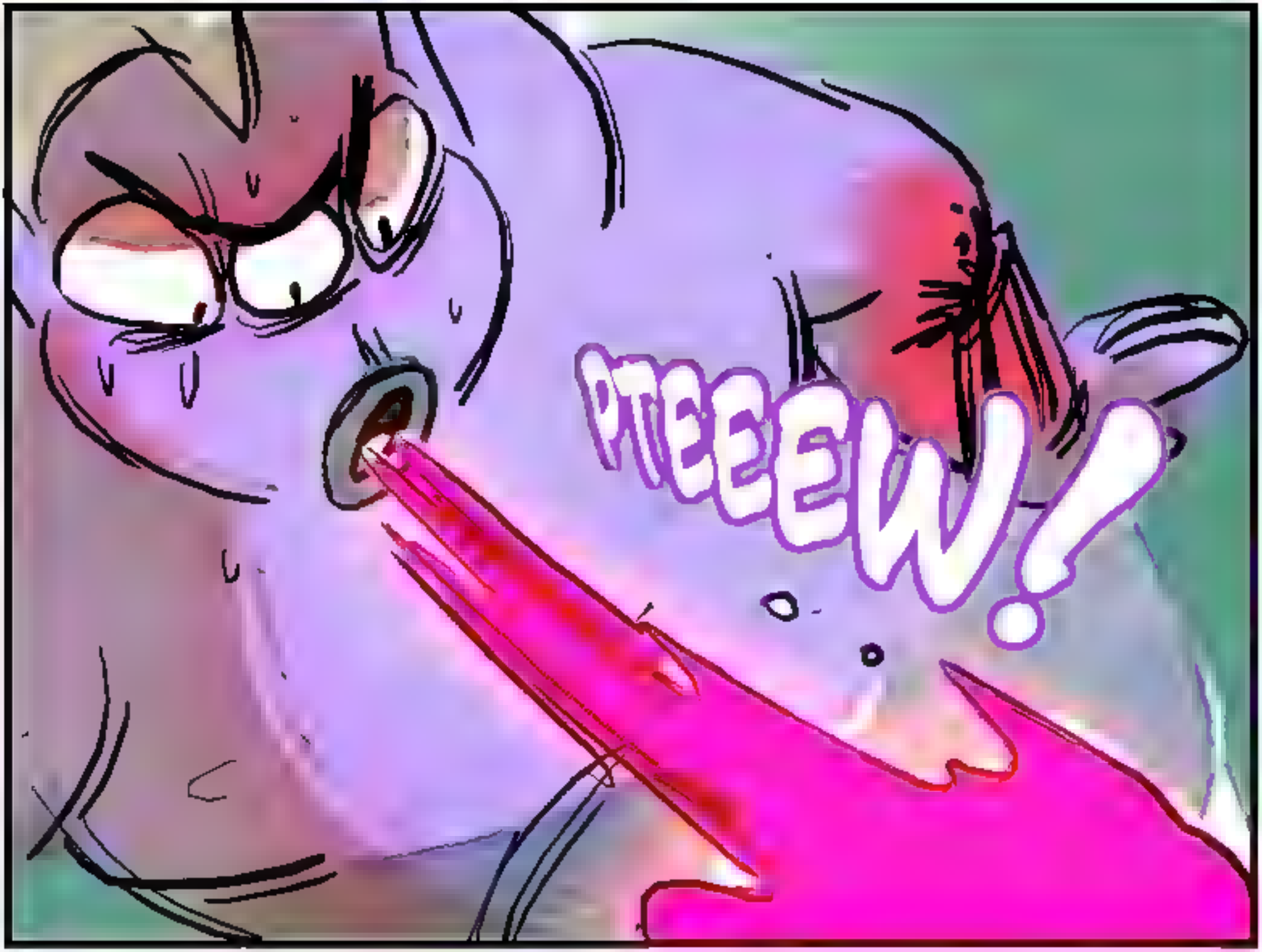
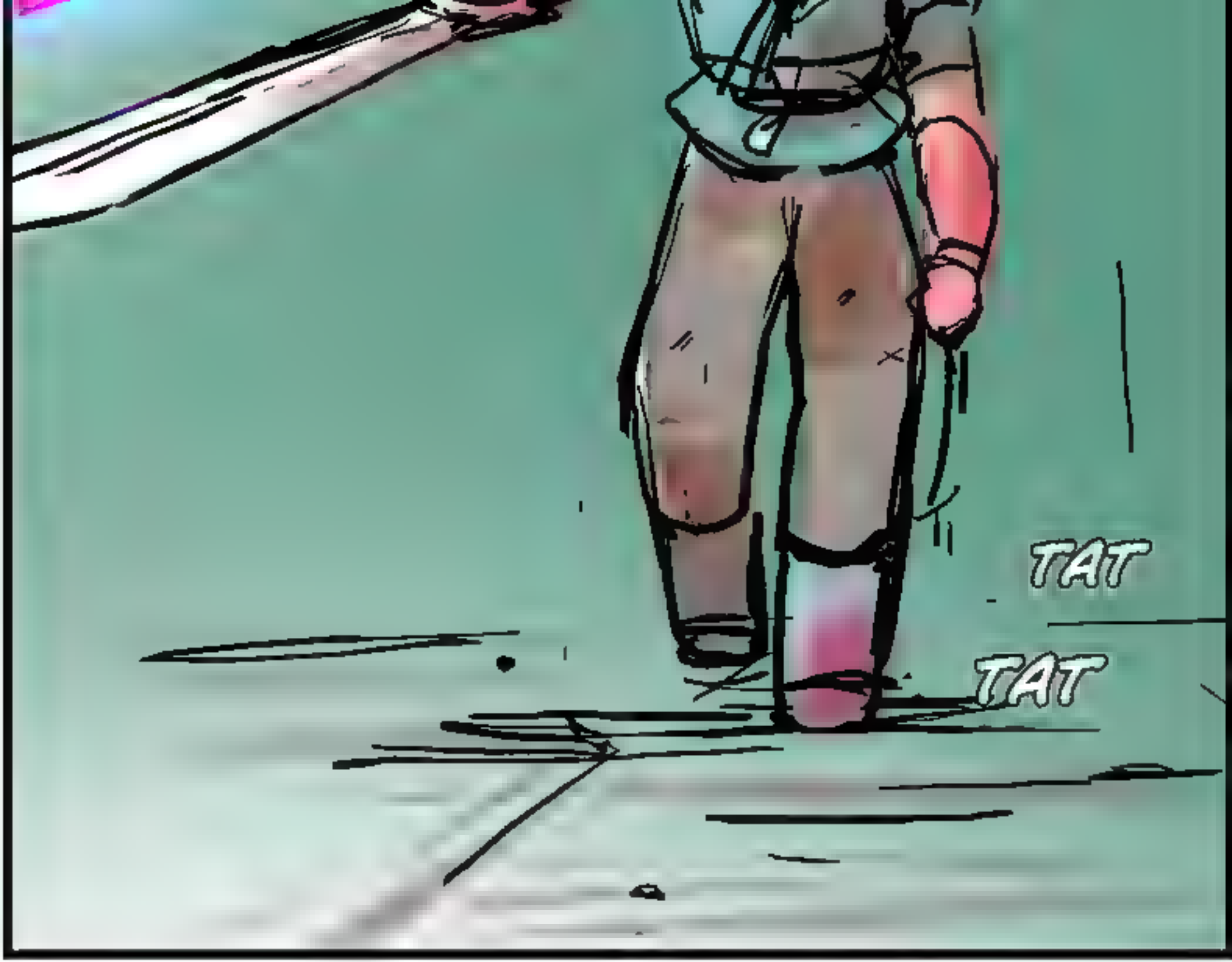

PTEEEW!

Zuuuup
AVOID
SPLAT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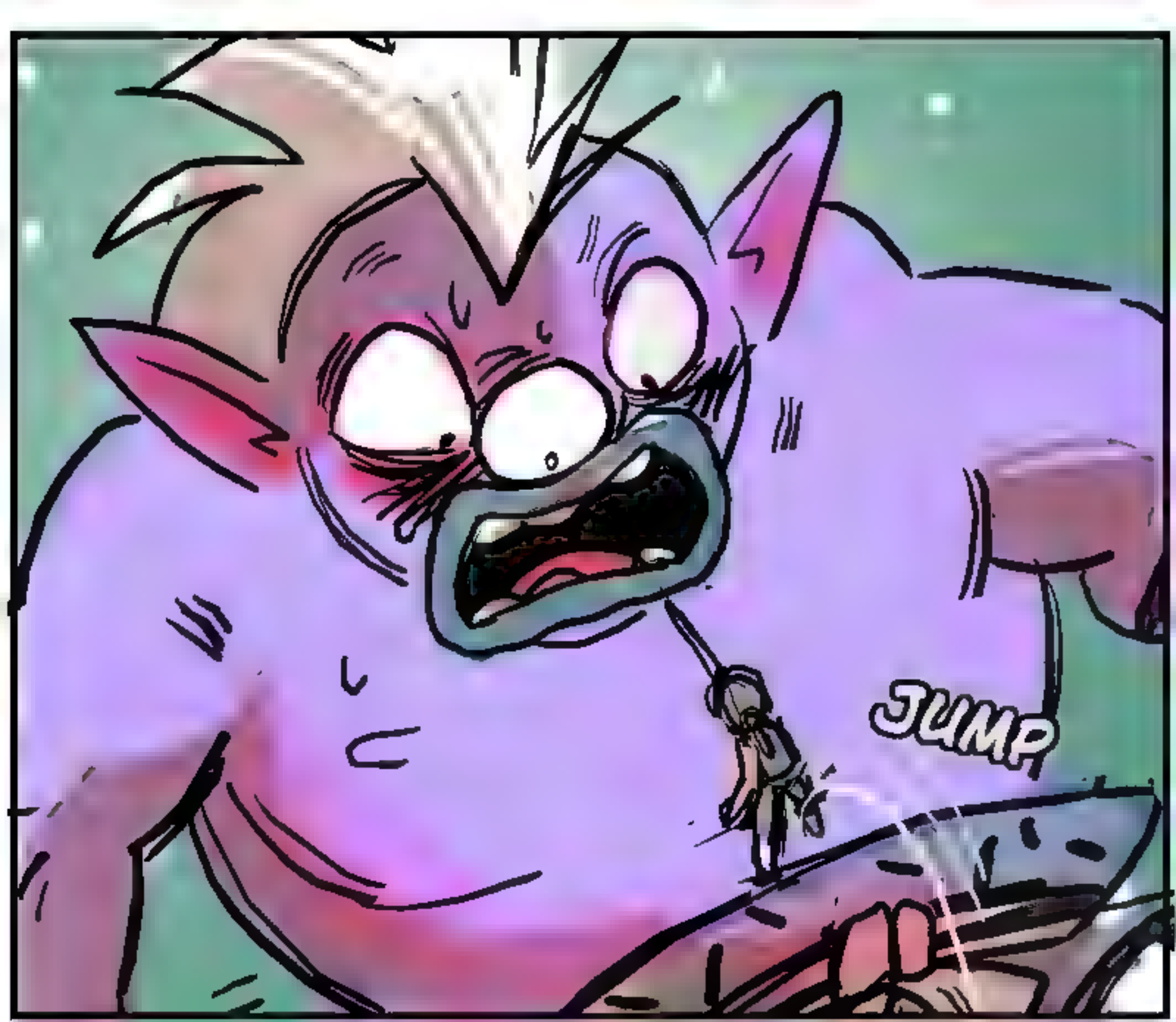
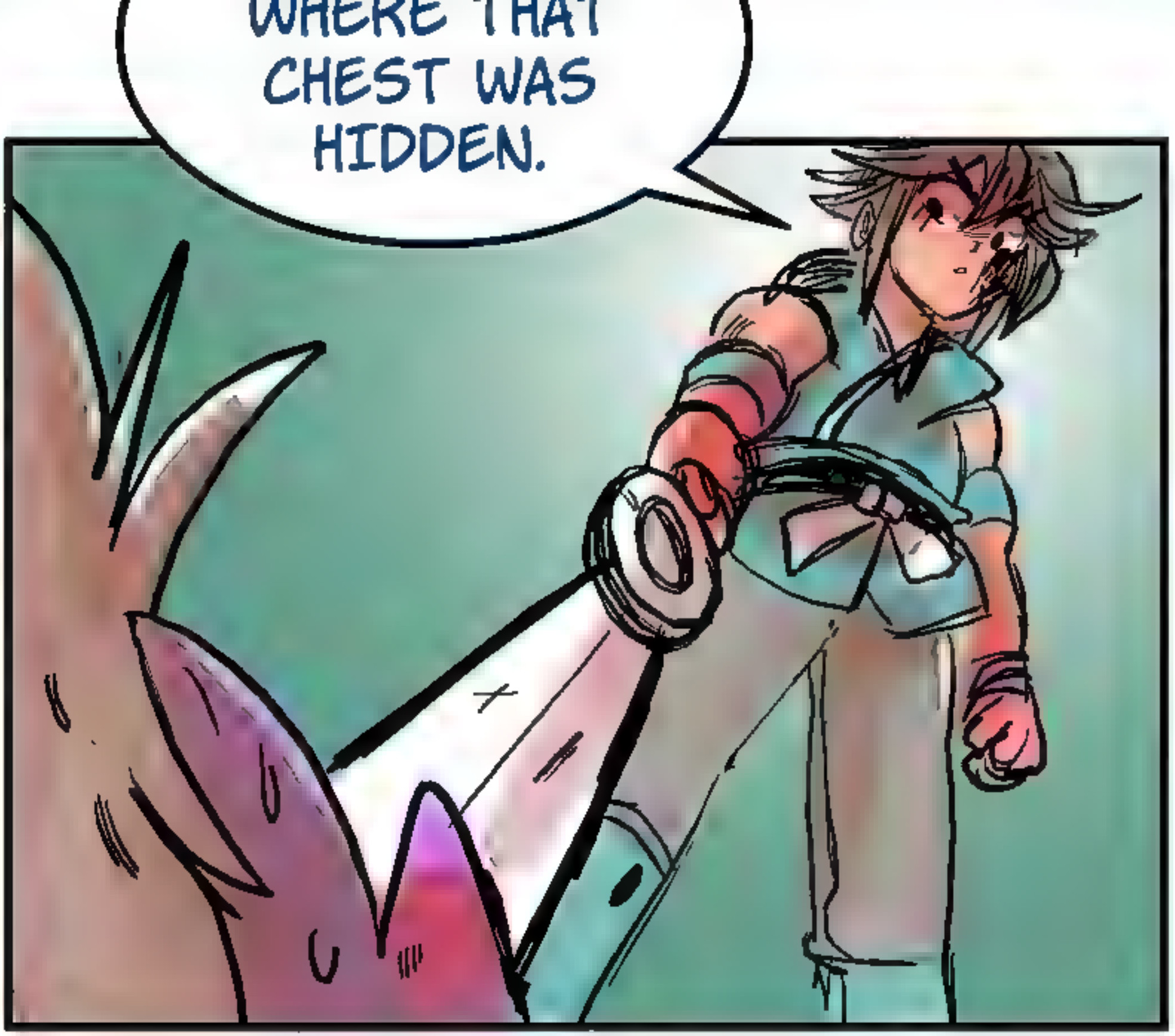
TAT

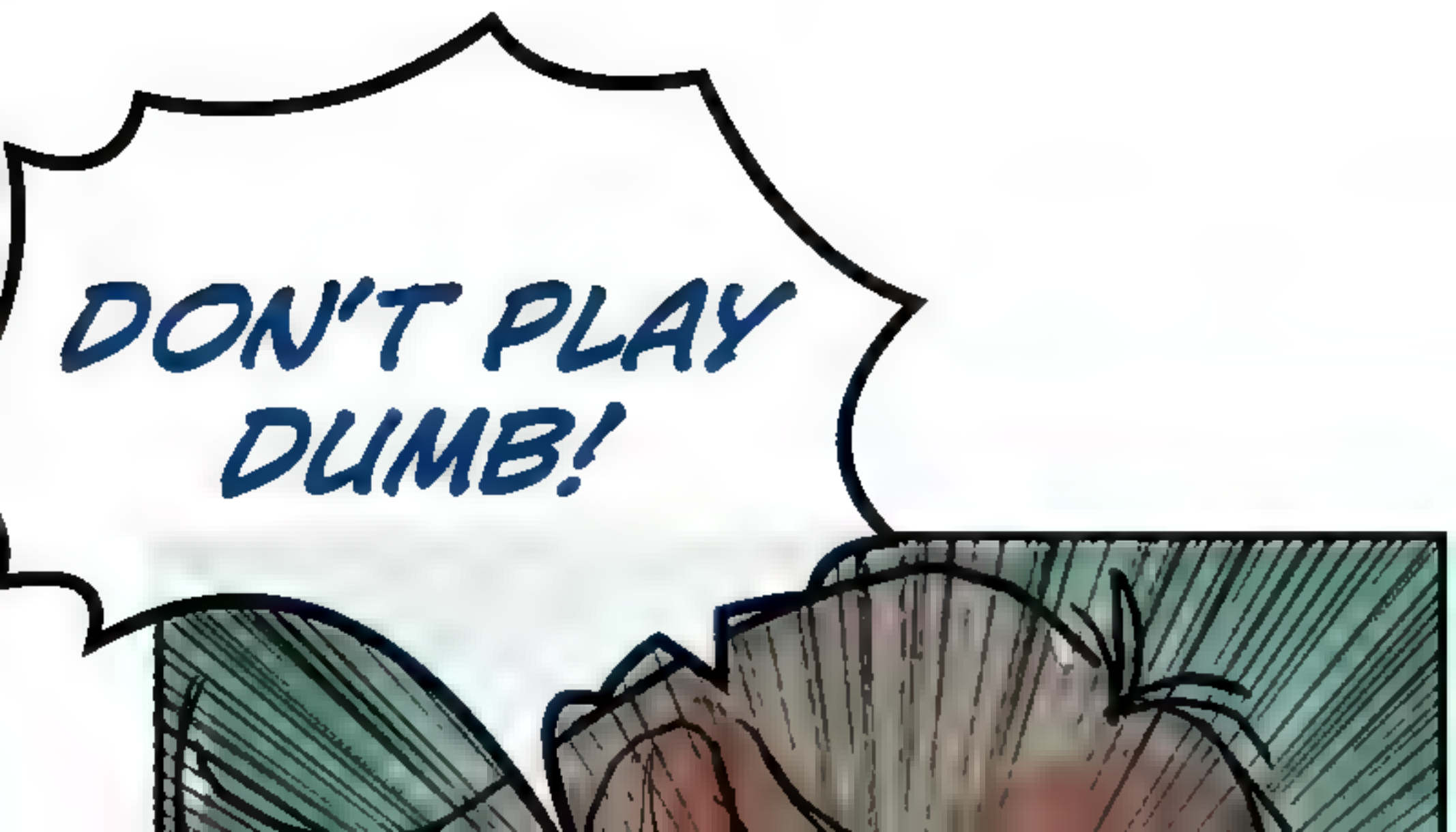

JUMP

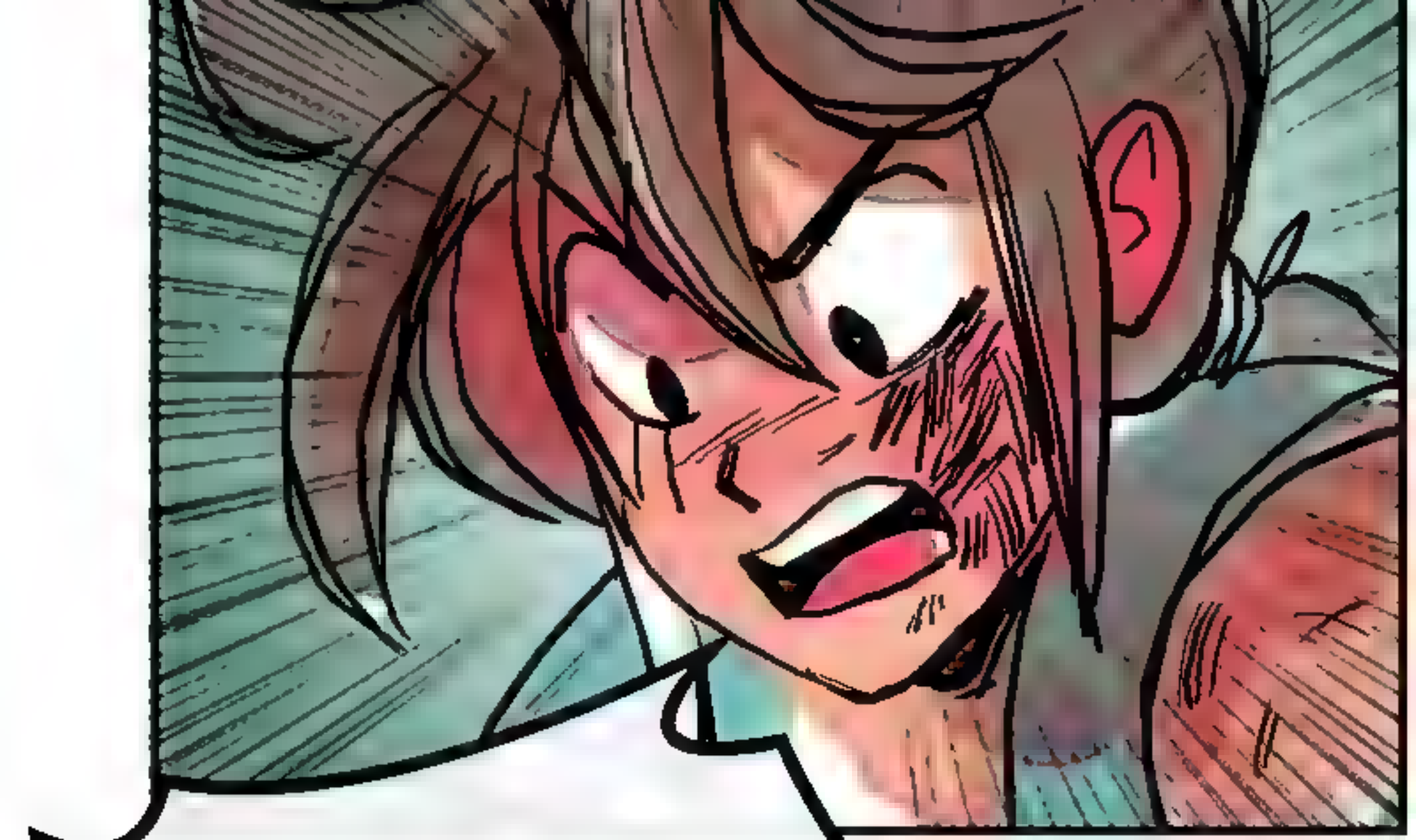
TELL ME


WHERE THAT CHEST WAS HIDDEN.

CH- CHEST!?

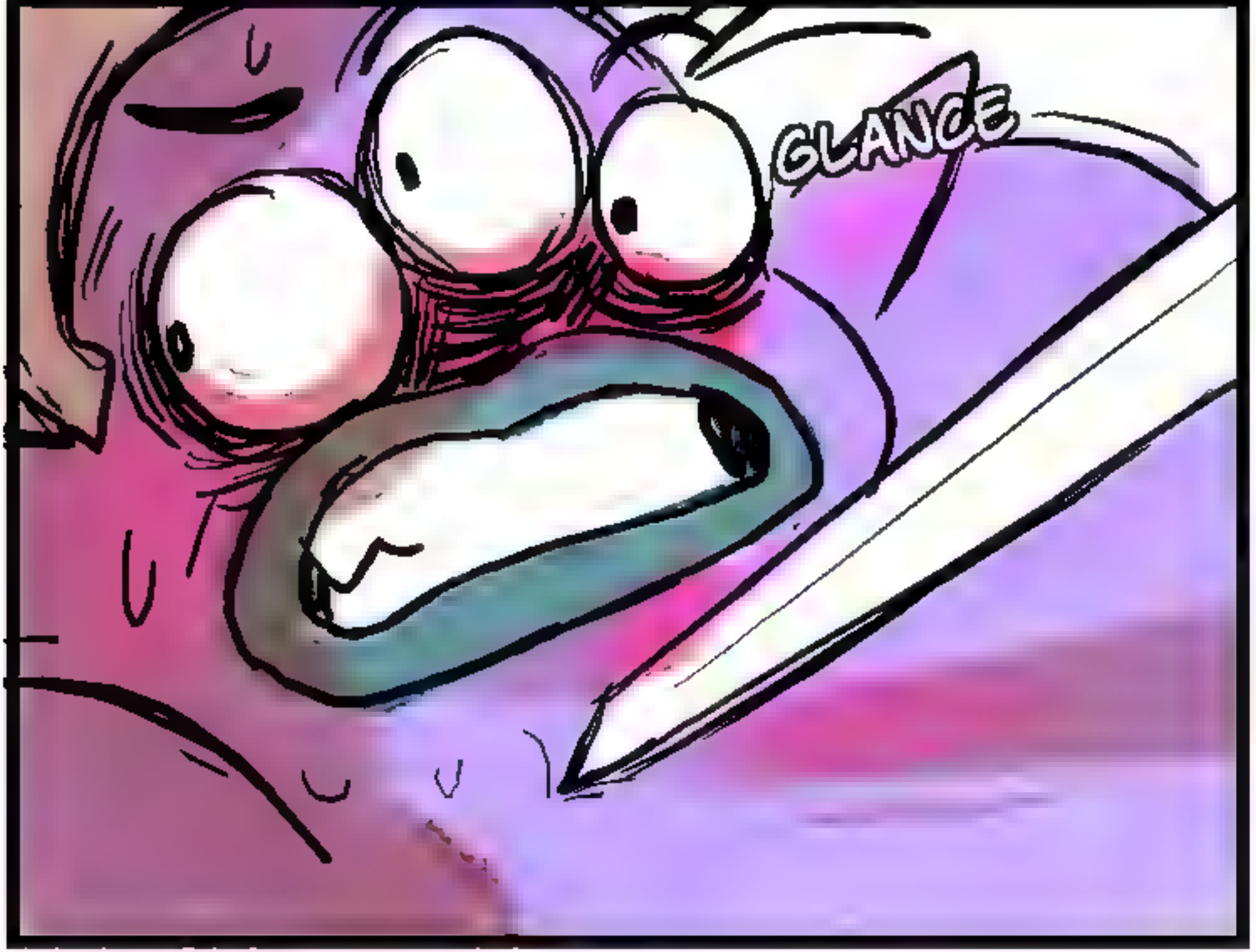
PINCH!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YER TALKIN' ABOUT!


DON'T PLAY DUMB!


TELL ME
WHERE IT IS OR

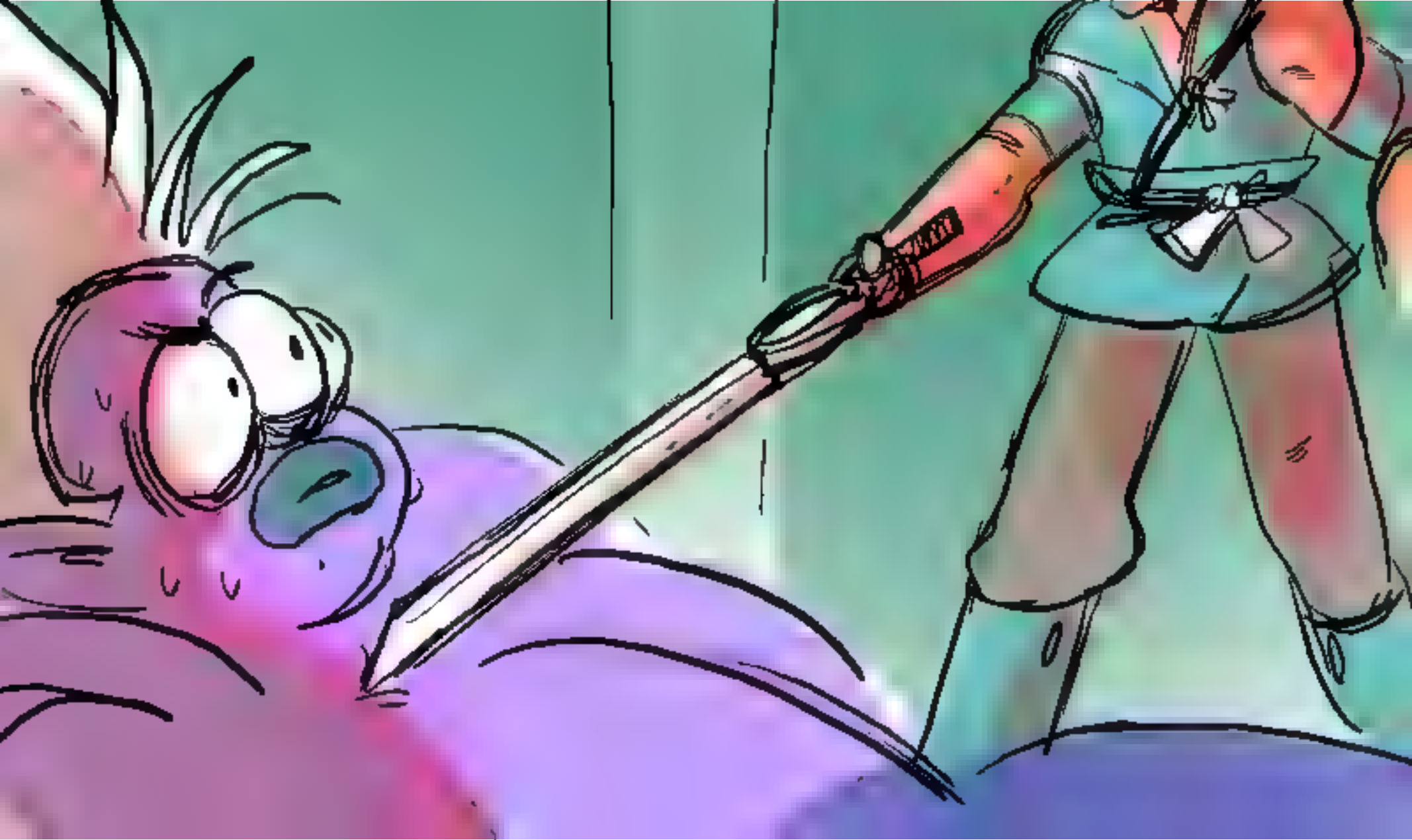
I SWEAR I WILL
END YOU!

YOU
HAVE NO IDEA HOW
LITTLE PATIENCE I HAVE
LEFT FOR YOU *PURPLE*
ASSHOLES AND THIS
DAMN PLACE!!!


GLANCE

HEY!

I
SAID START
TALKING!

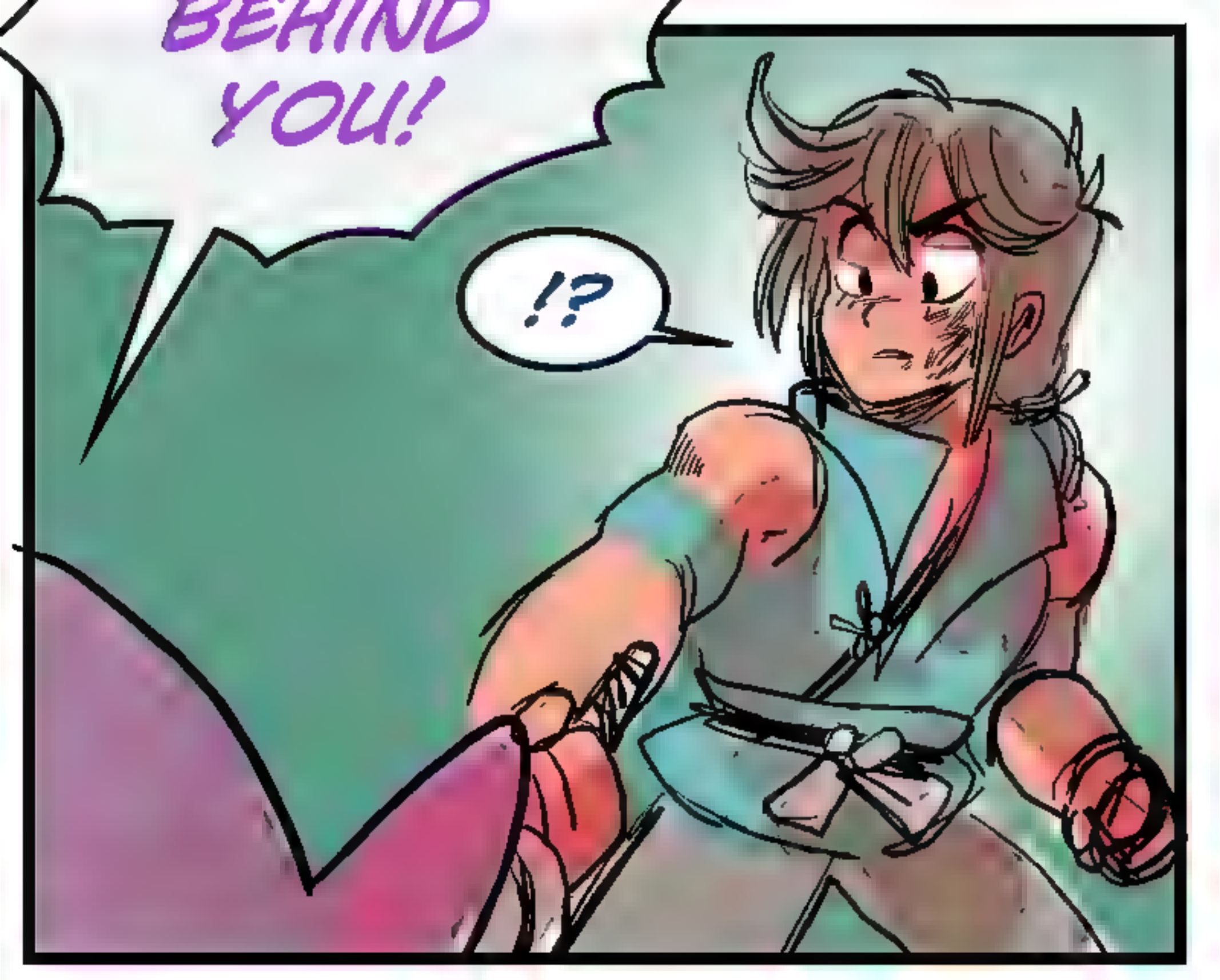


OH, RIGHT!

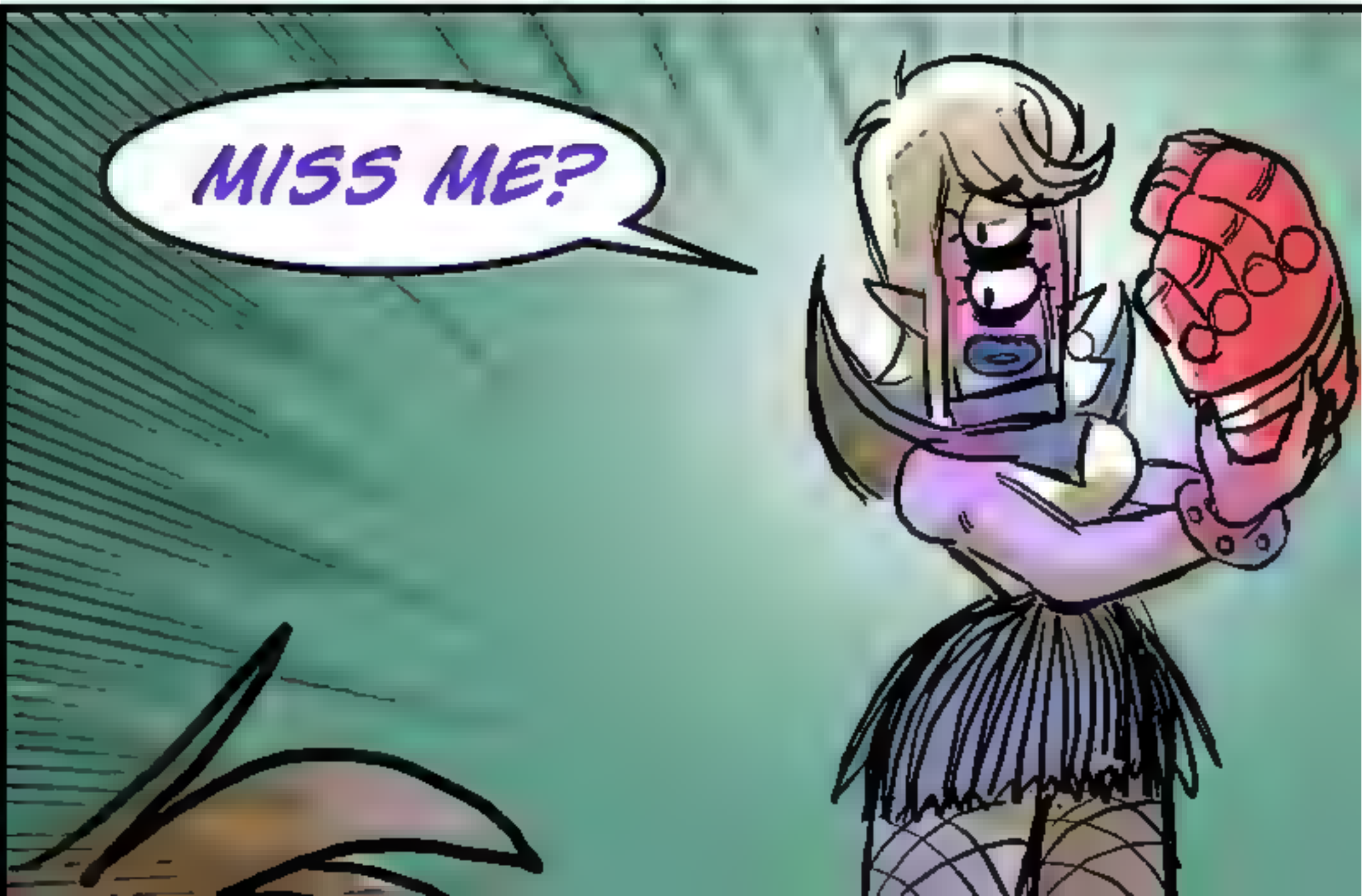
YEAH, THE CHEST IS...

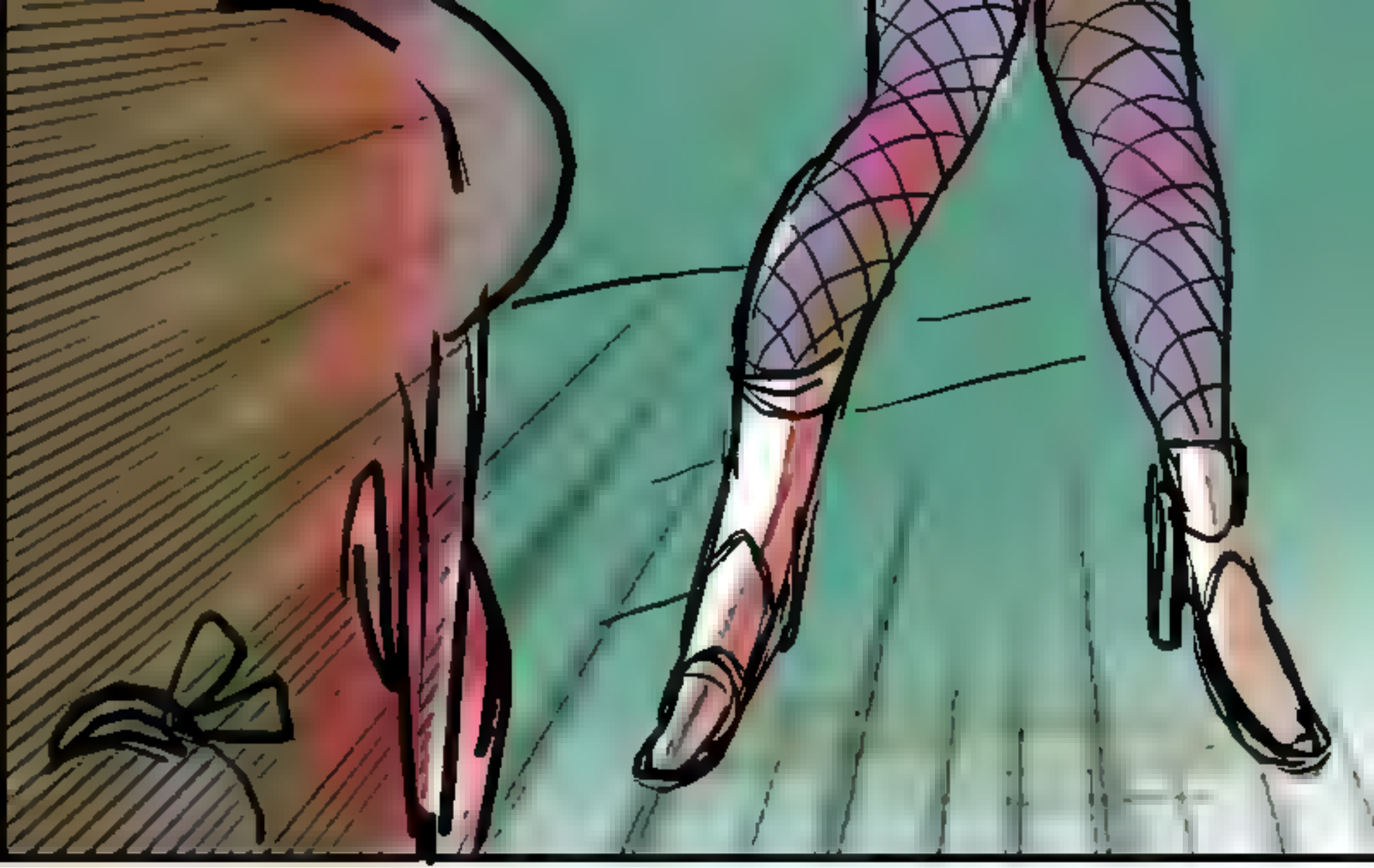
...

RIGHT

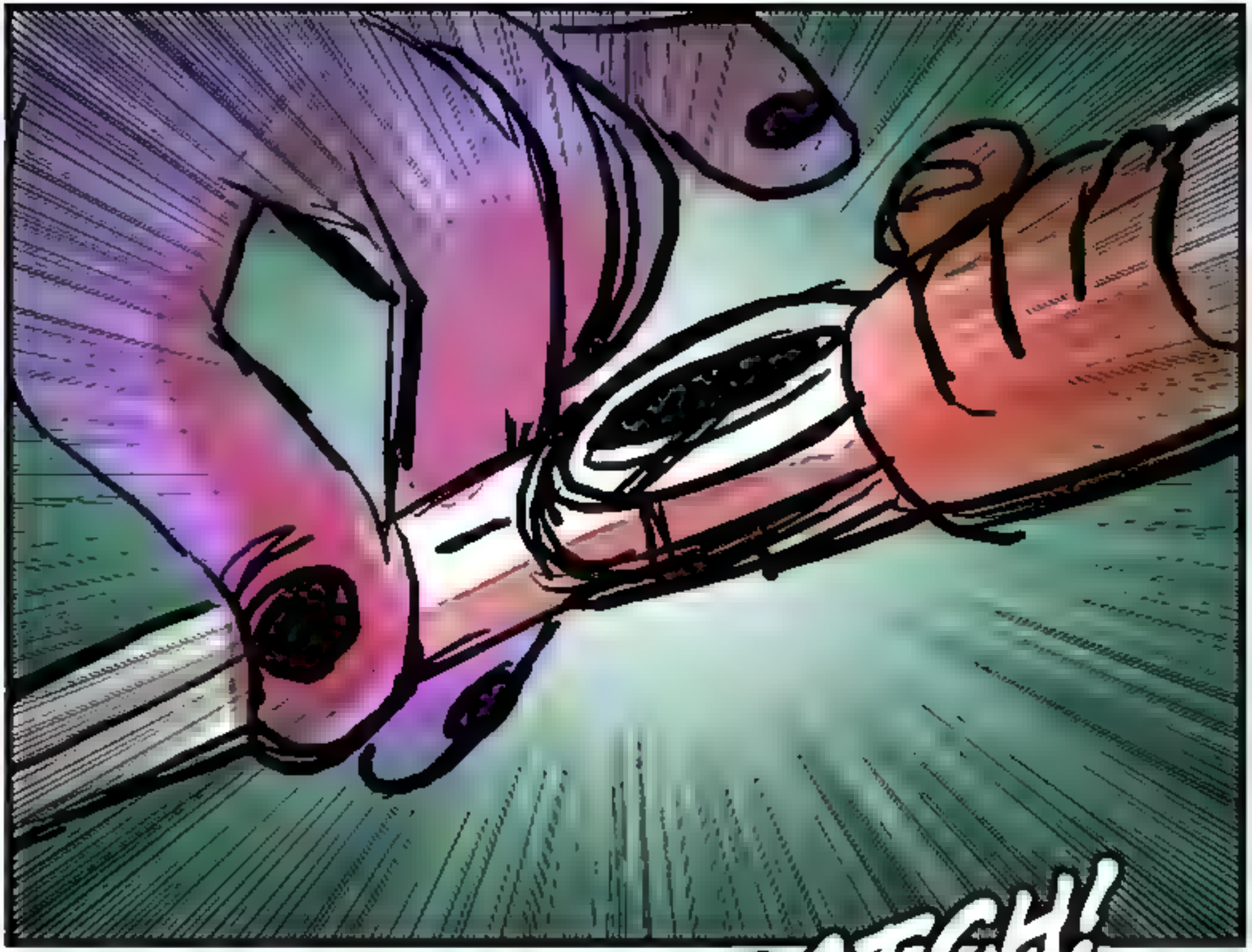

BEHIND YOU!
!?

WHAT?
TURN

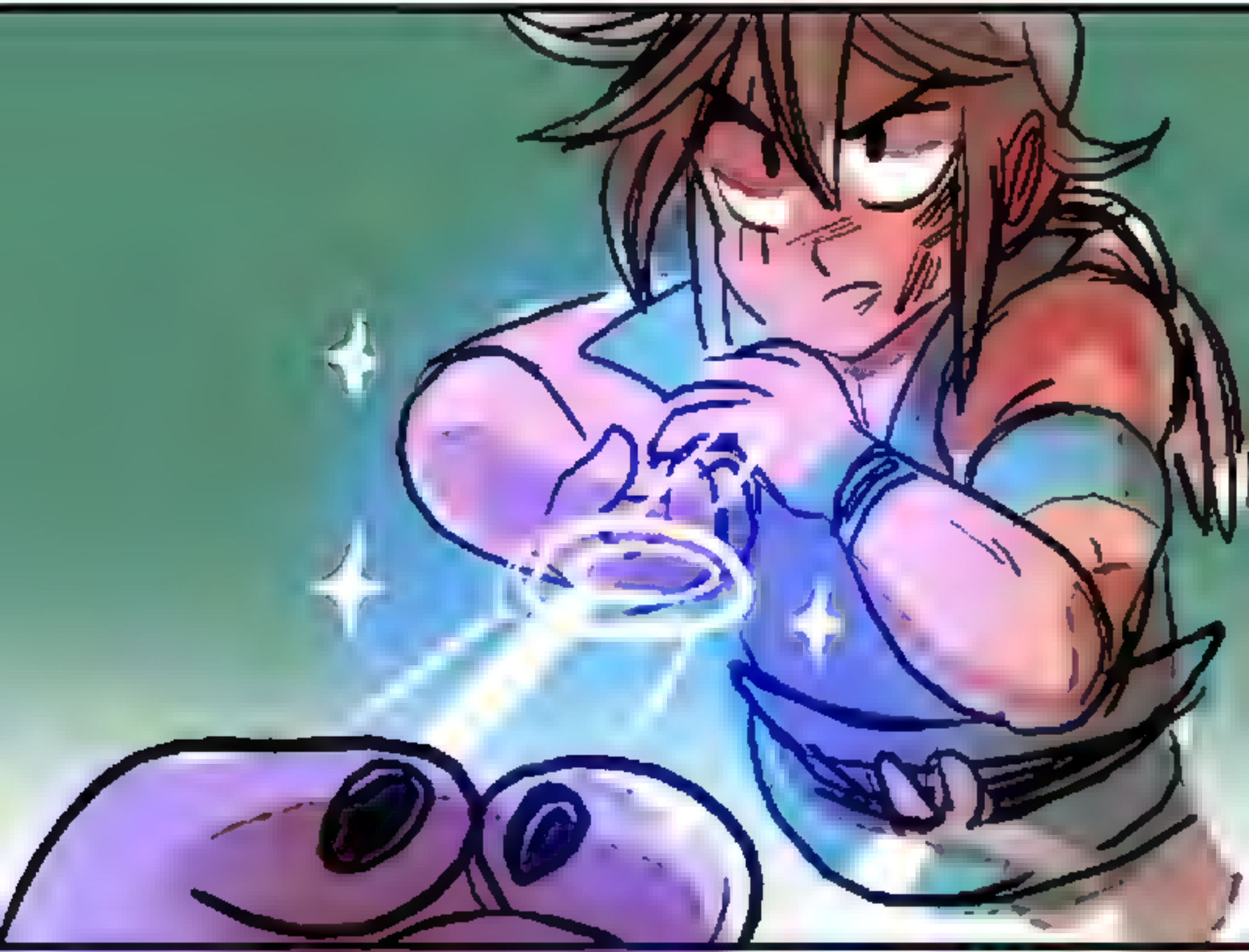

MISS ME?



TWO!


CATCH!

PULL!



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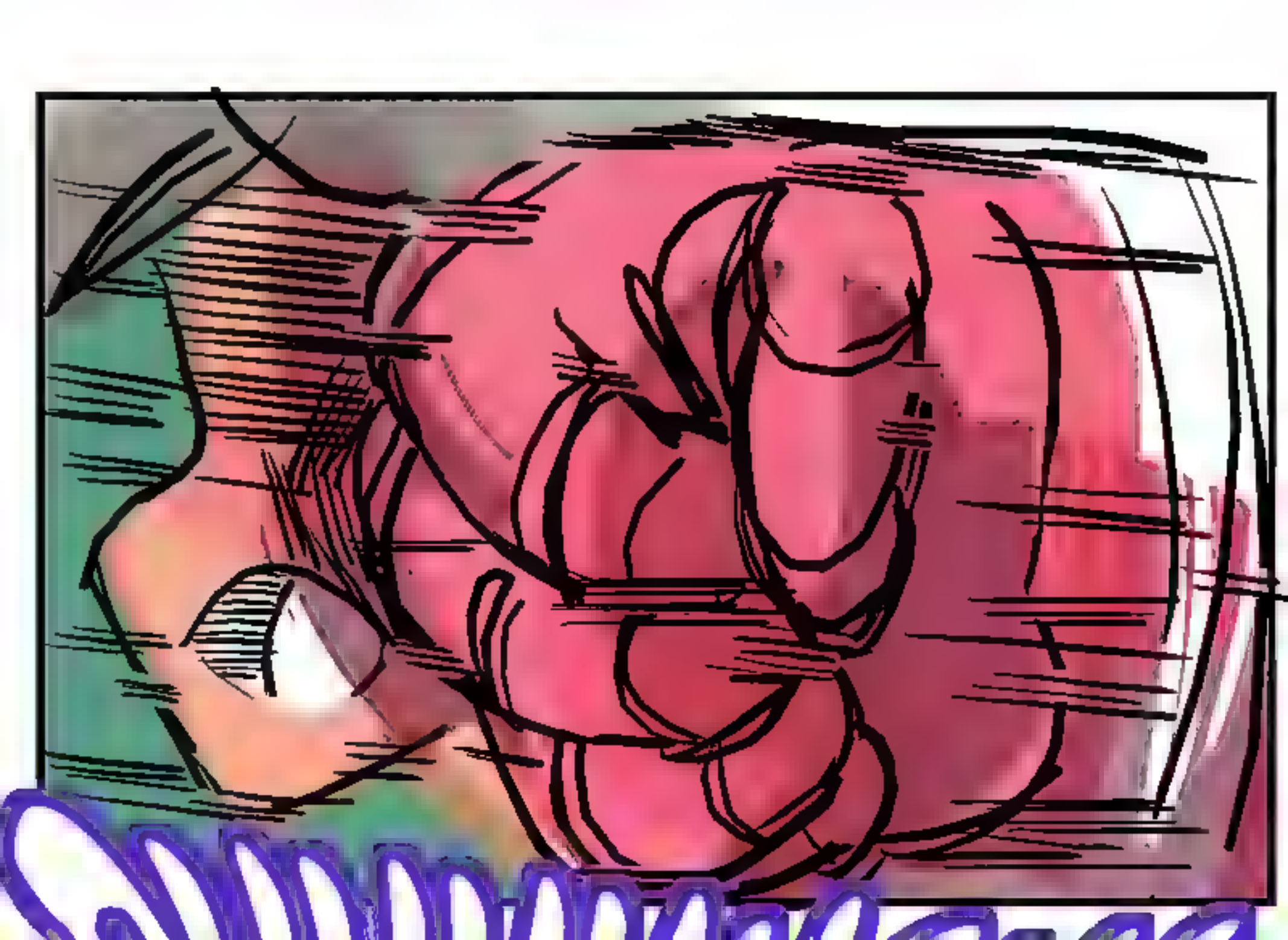
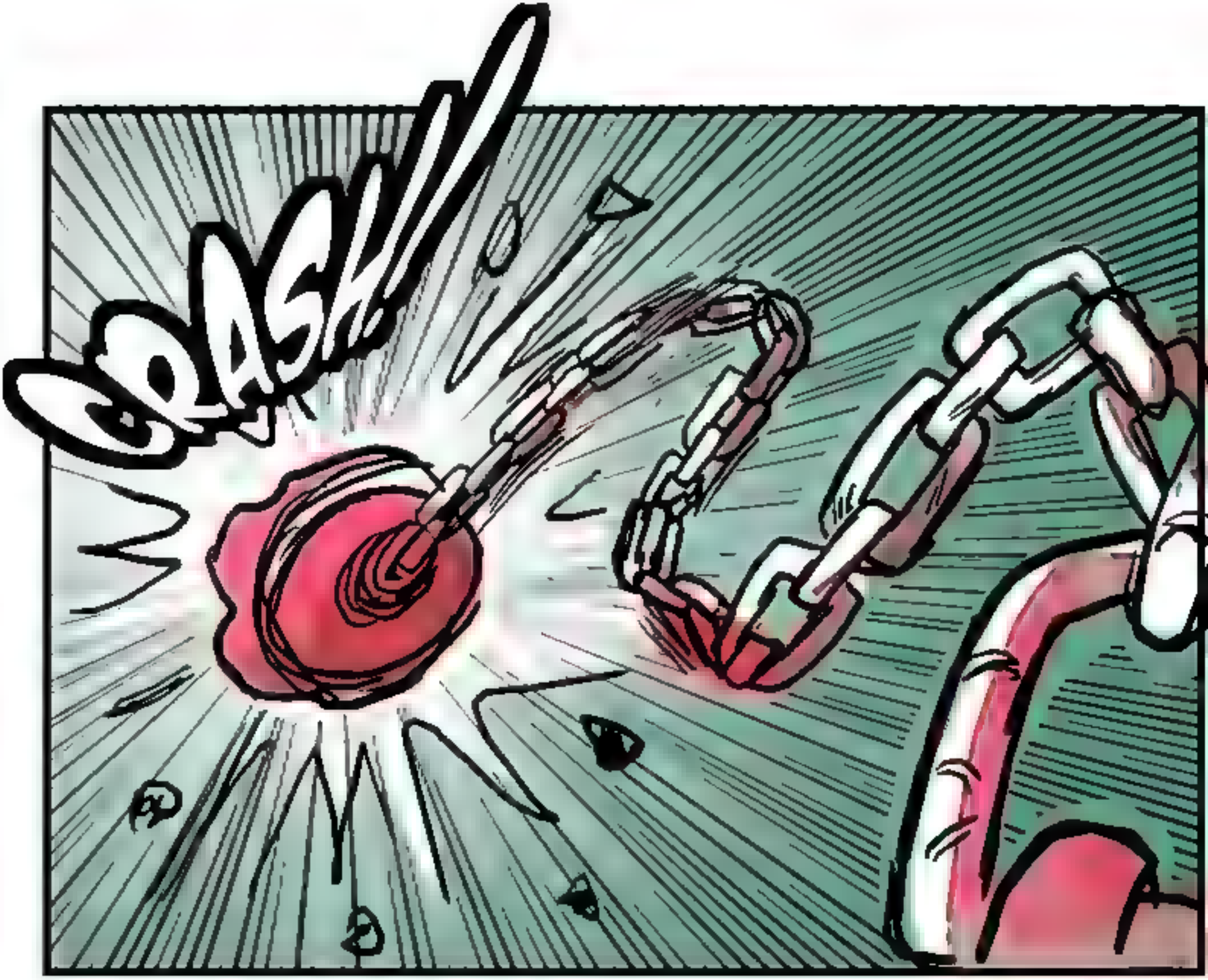
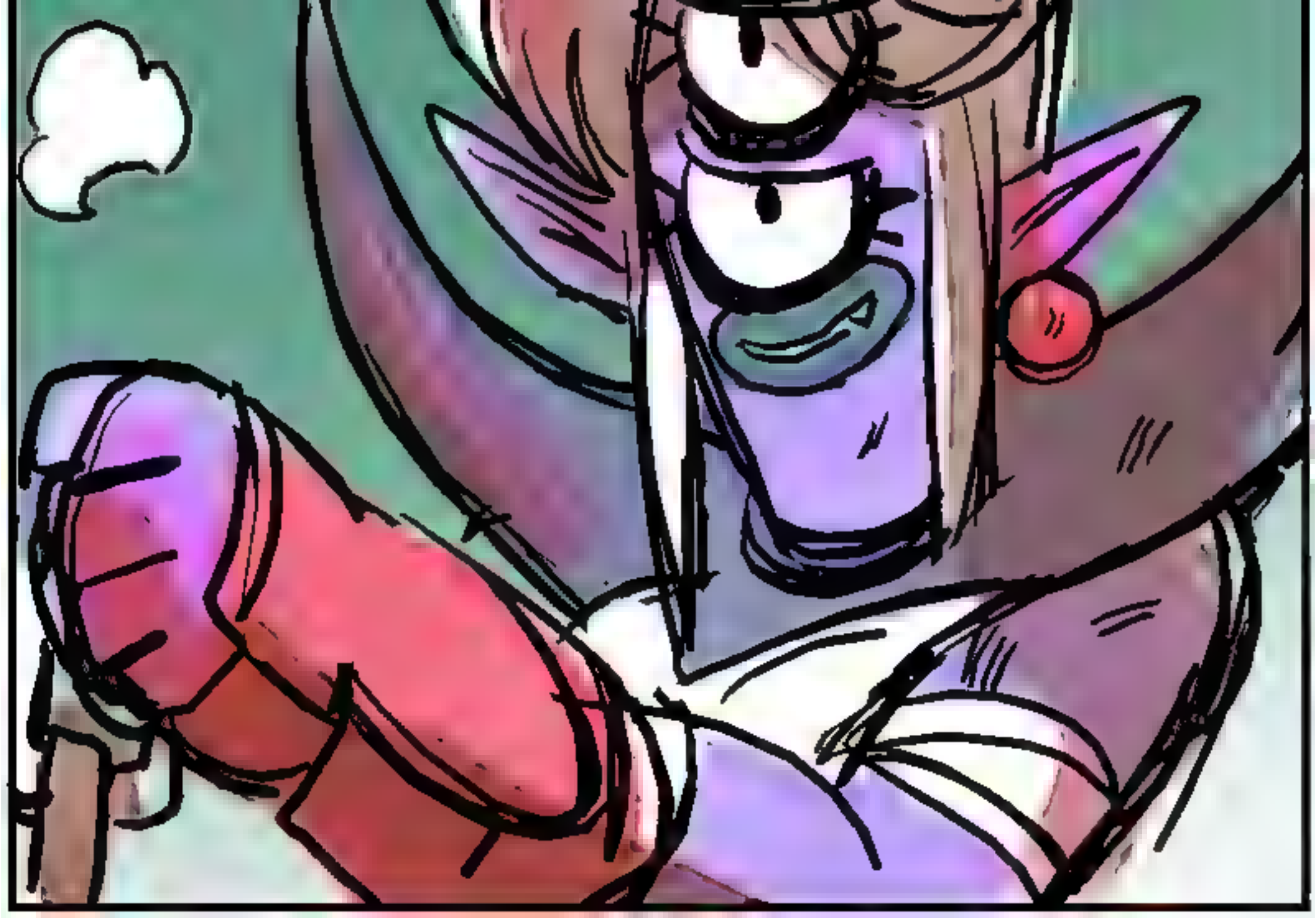
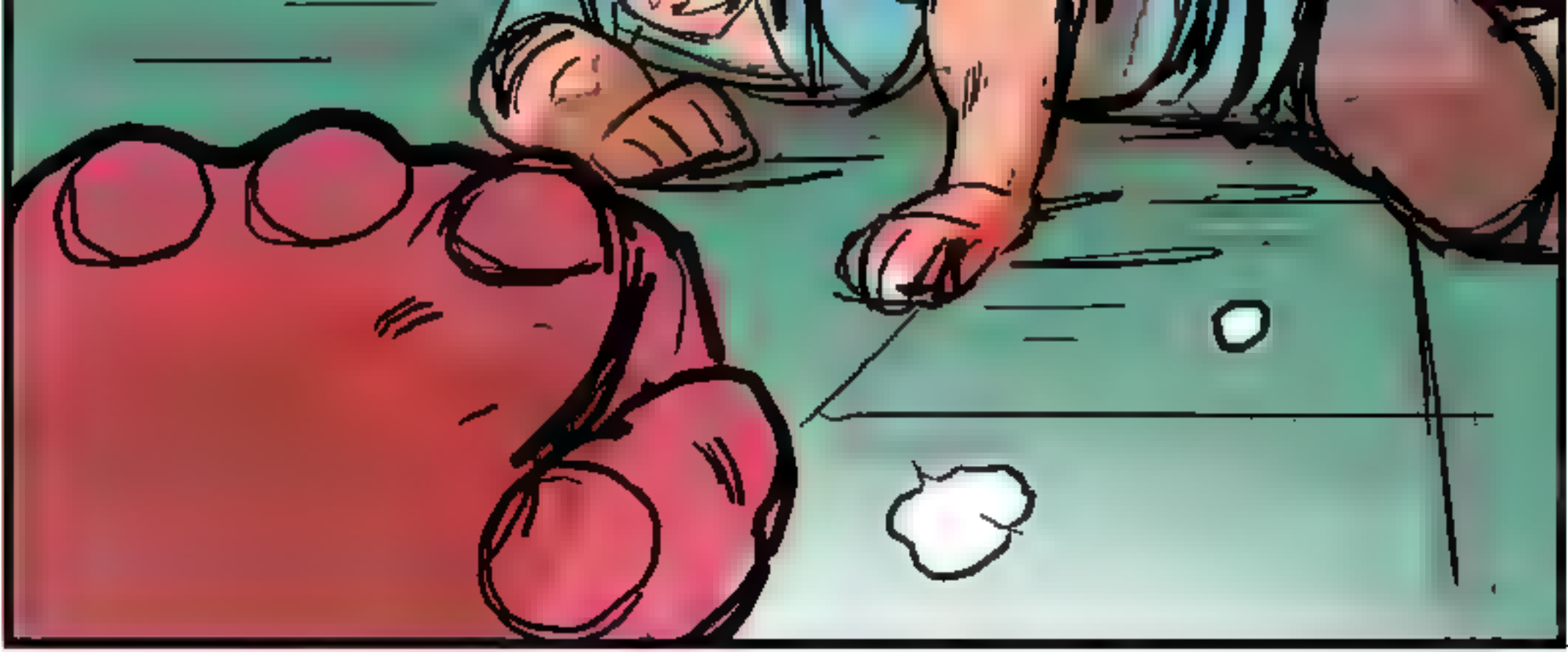


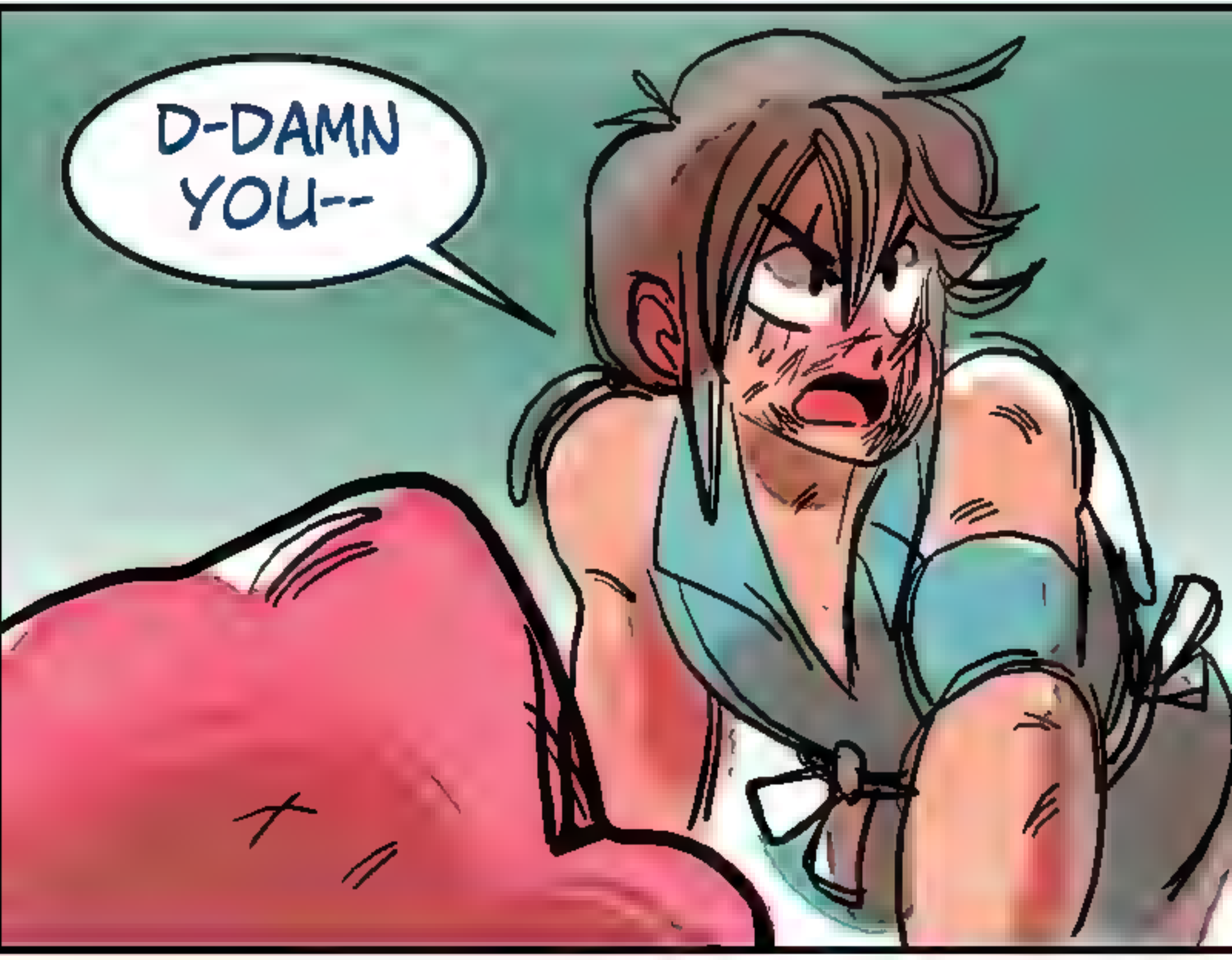

CRASH!

HEH
HEH HEH



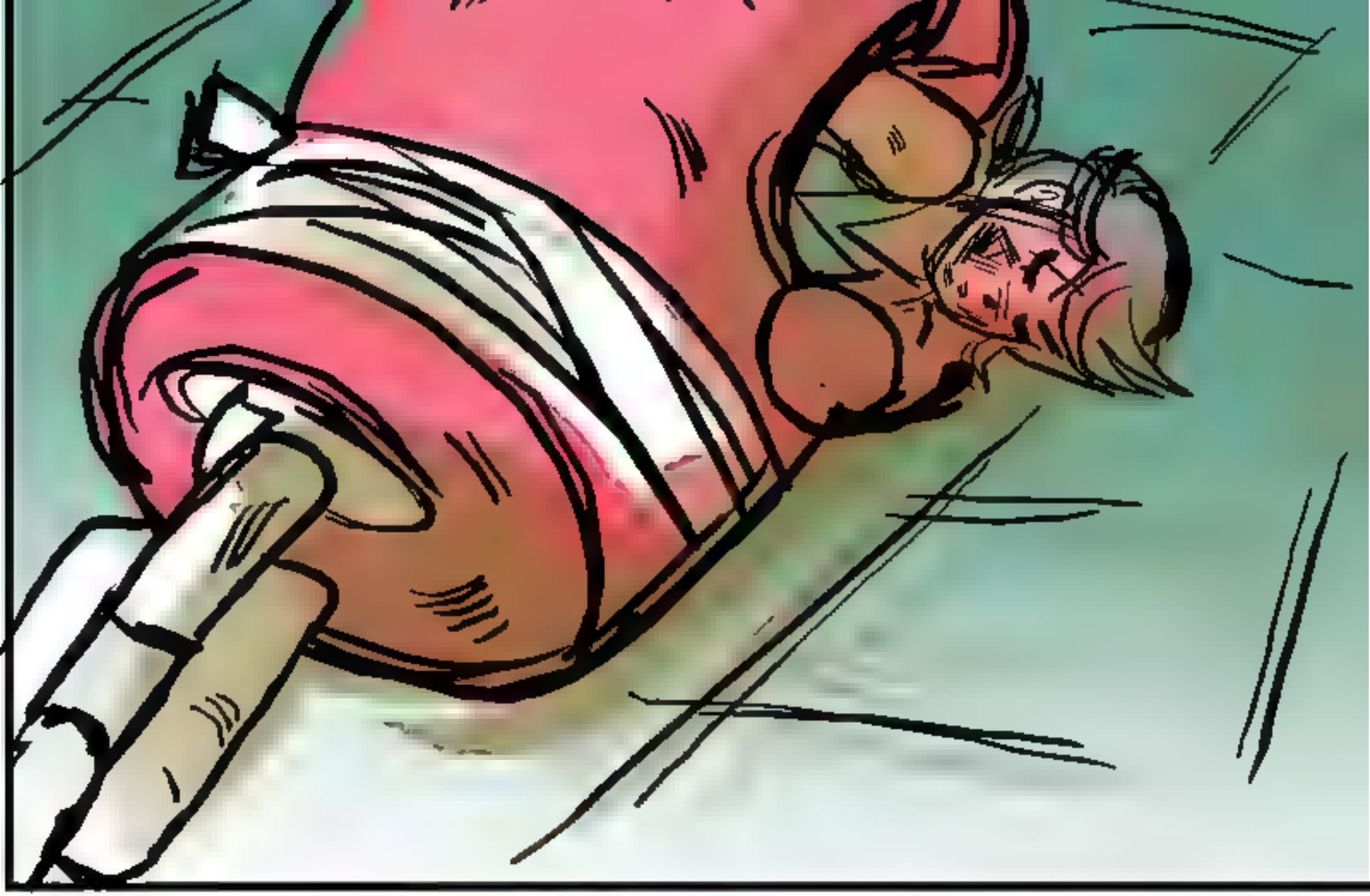
A-A...ACK....

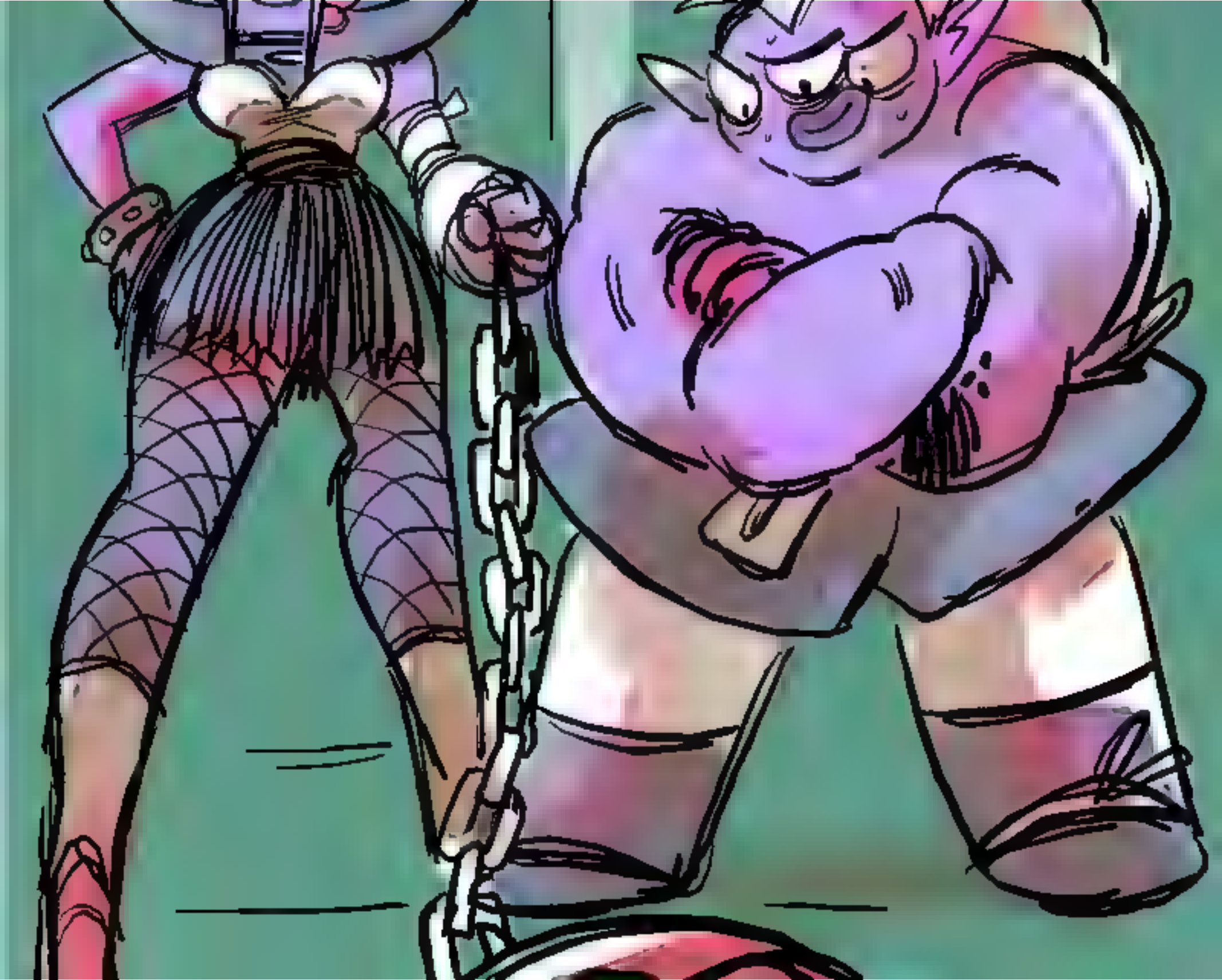


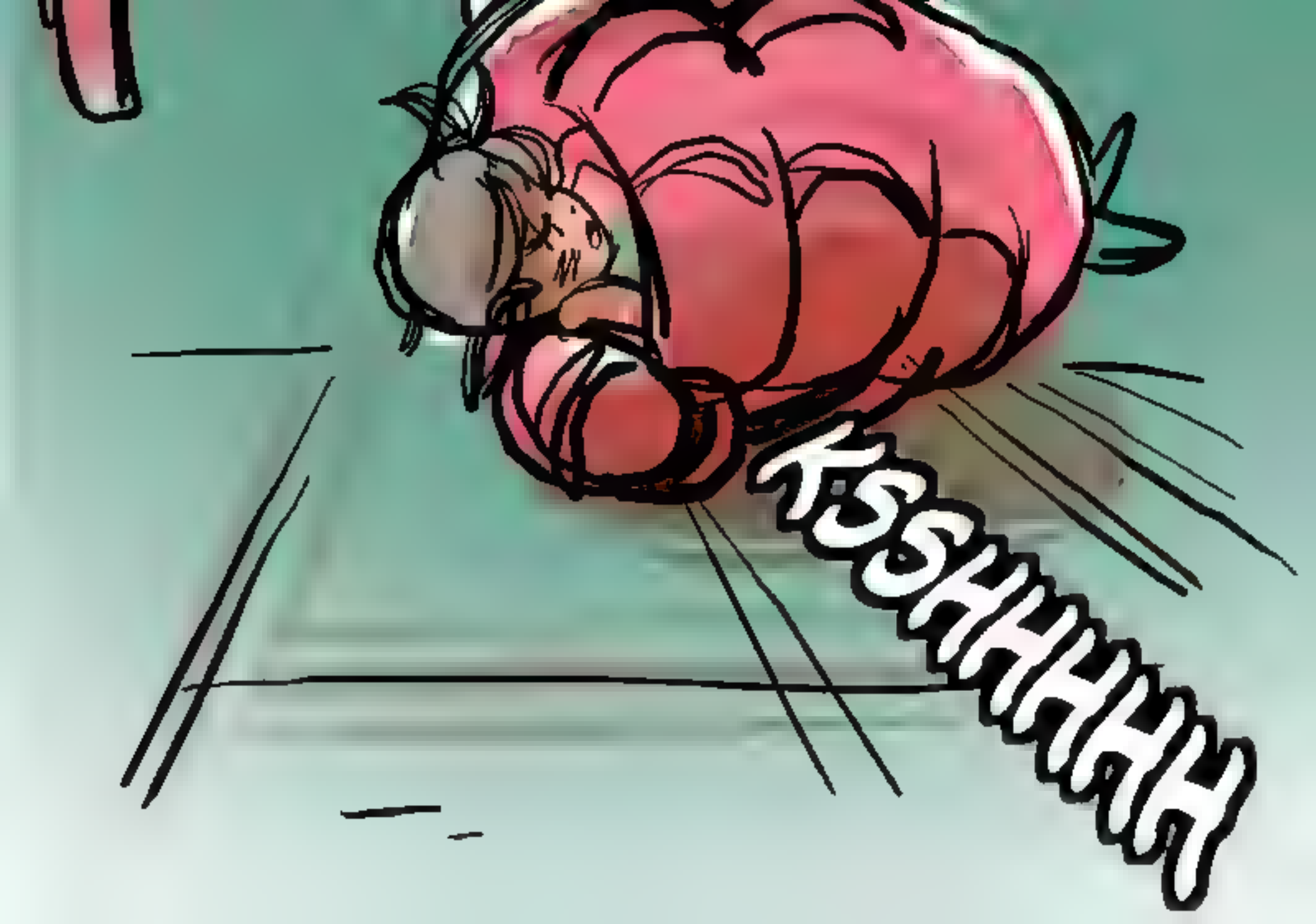

D-DAMN YOU--

FLICK!

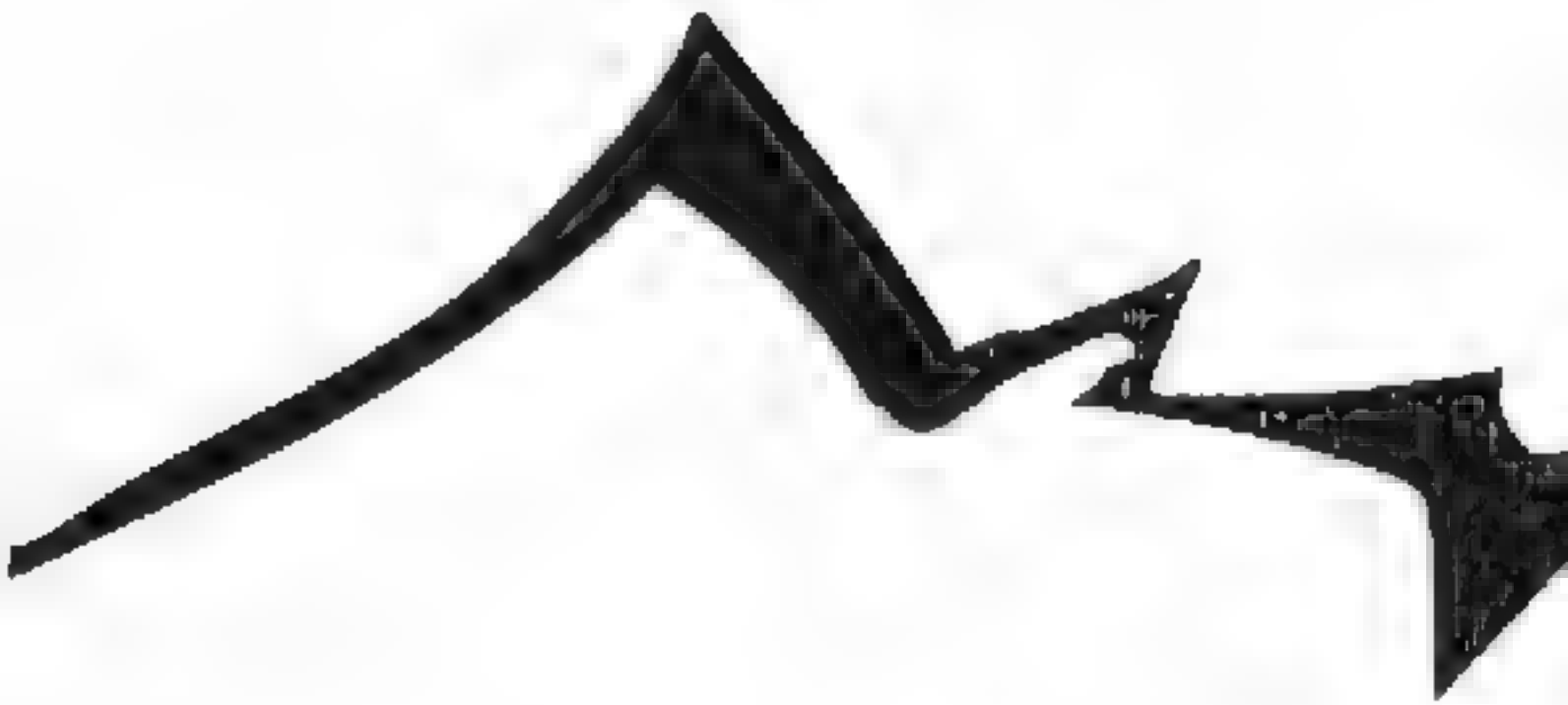
GRAB!





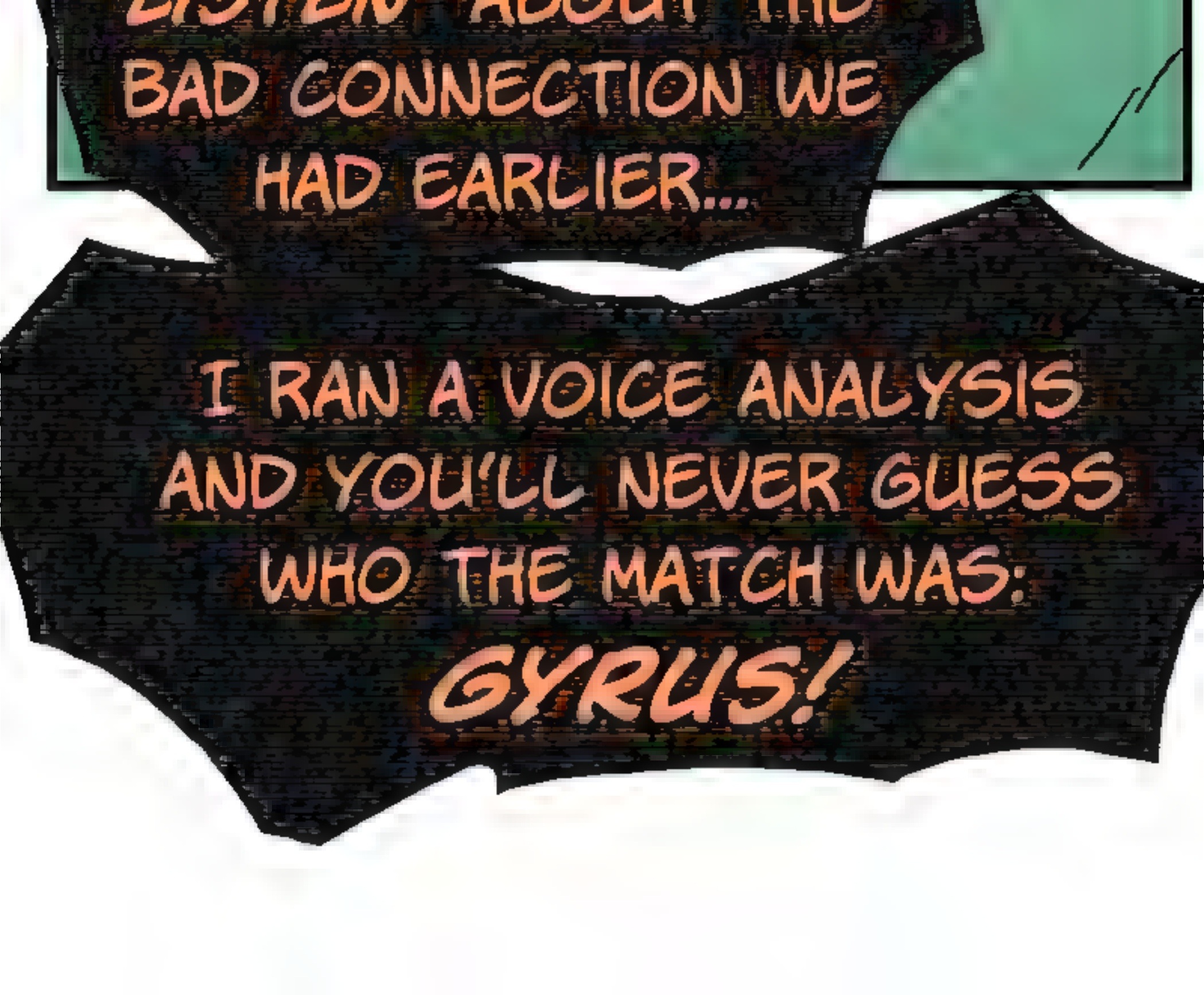

KSSHHHH

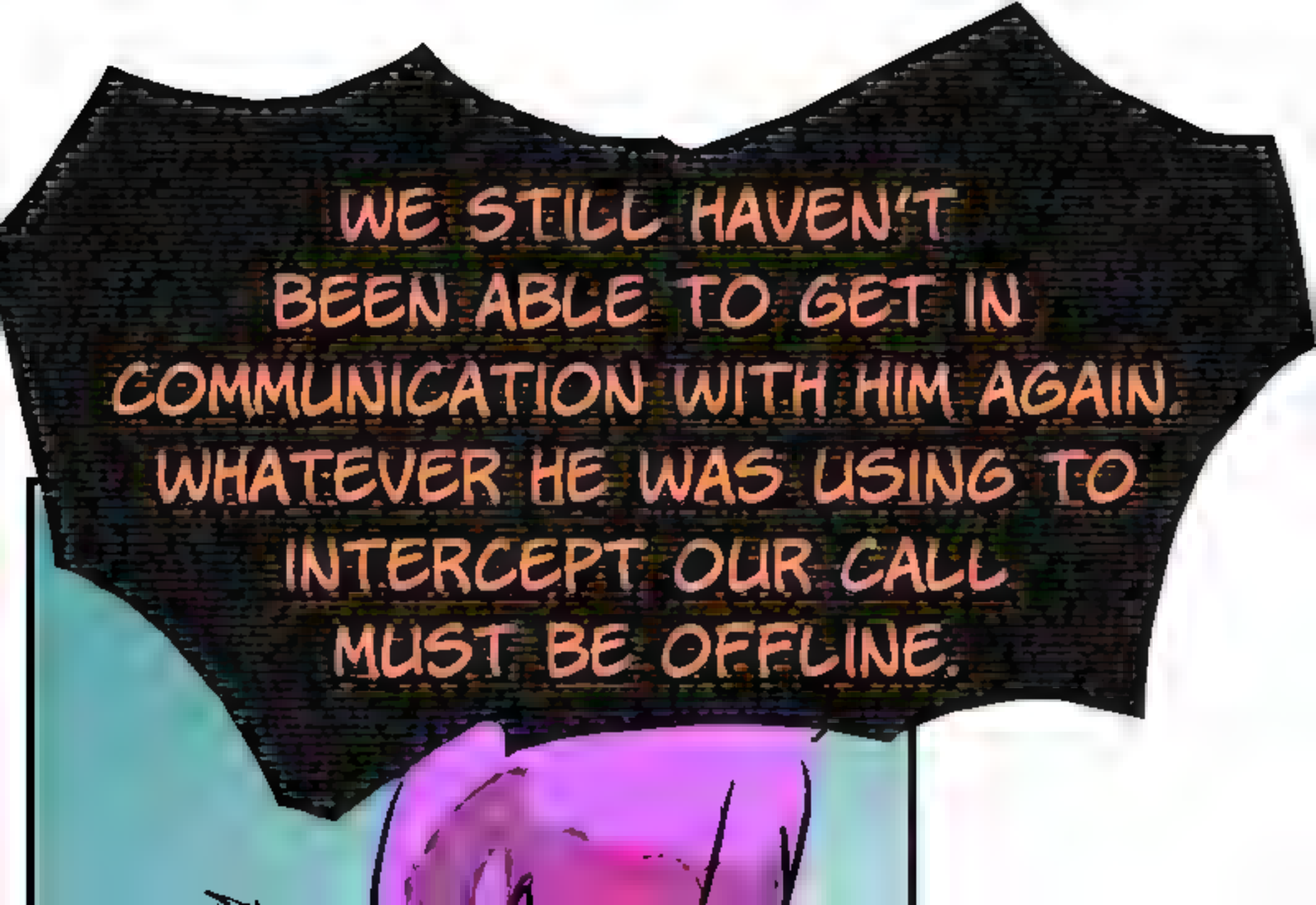
КОНЕЦ



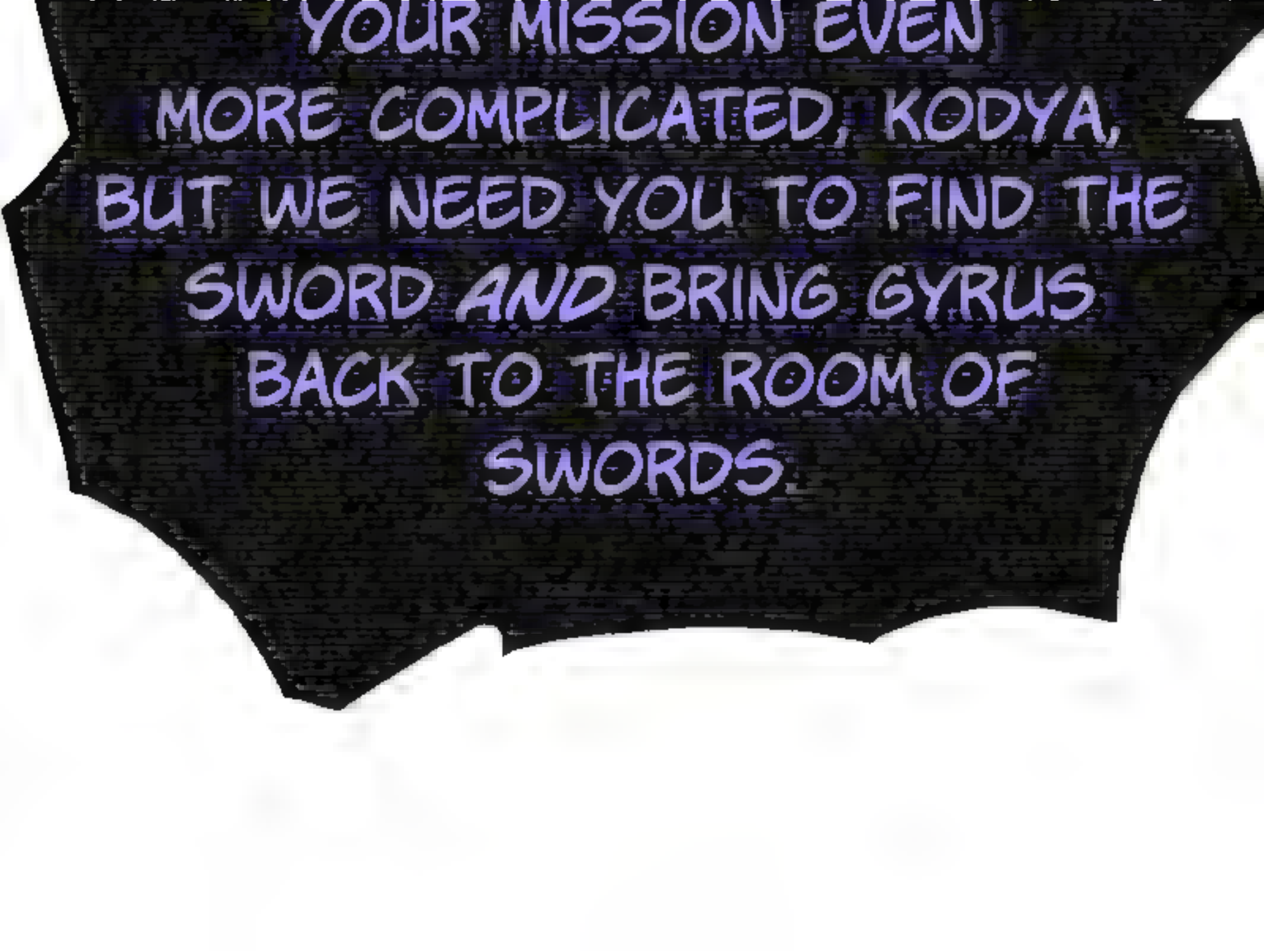
KGHHH- - - CLICK!
KODYA! THIS IS DON.
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?

QUIET!
LISTEN ABOUT THE


LISTEN ABOUT THE
BAD CONNECTION WE
HAD EARLIER...
I RAN A VOICE ANALYSIS
AND YOU'LL NEVER GUESS
WHO THE MATCH WAS:
GYRUS!


WE STILL HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIM AGAIN. WHATEVER HE WAS USING TO INTERCEPT OUR CALL MUST BE OFFLINE.

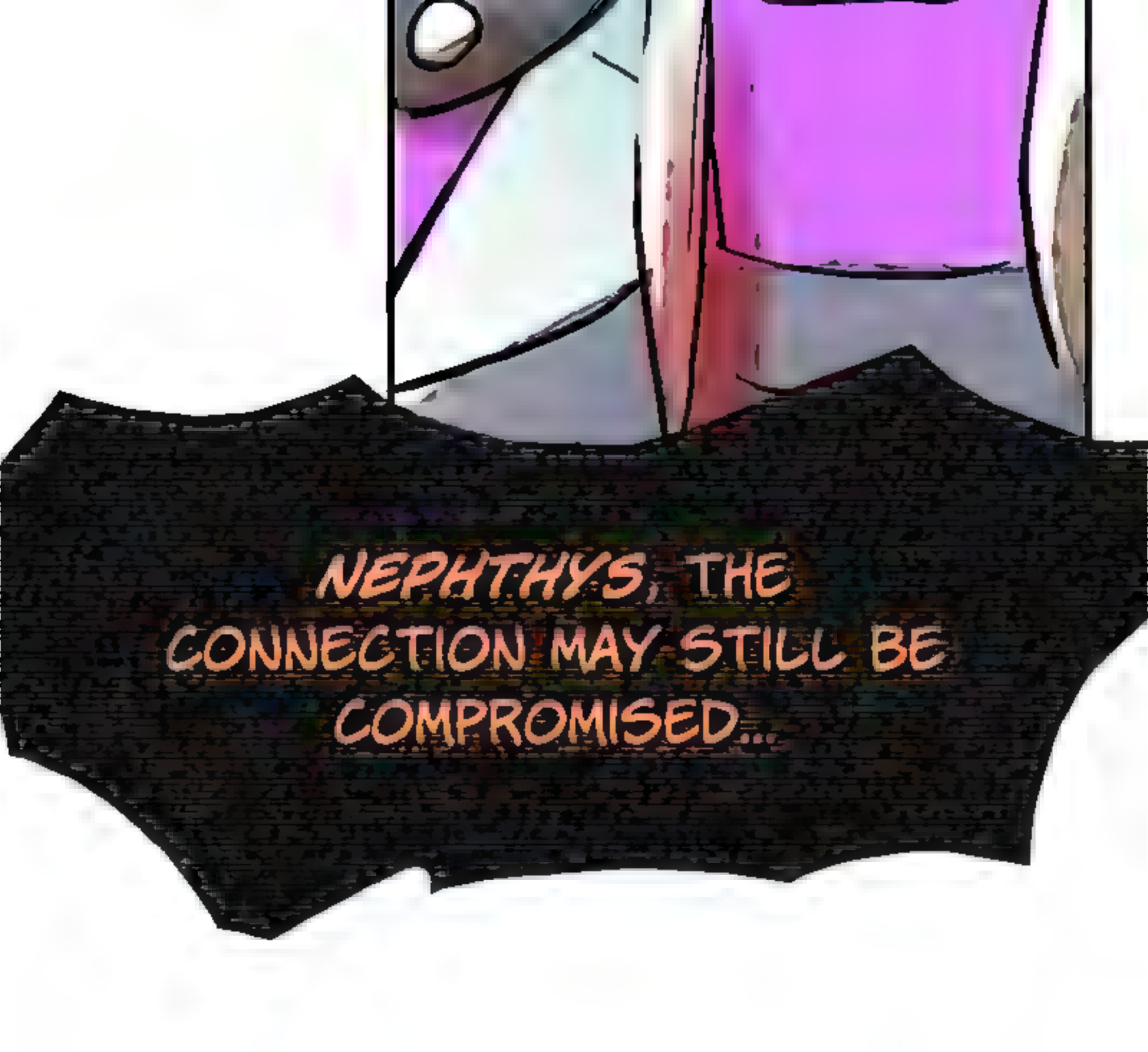
SORRY TO MAKE

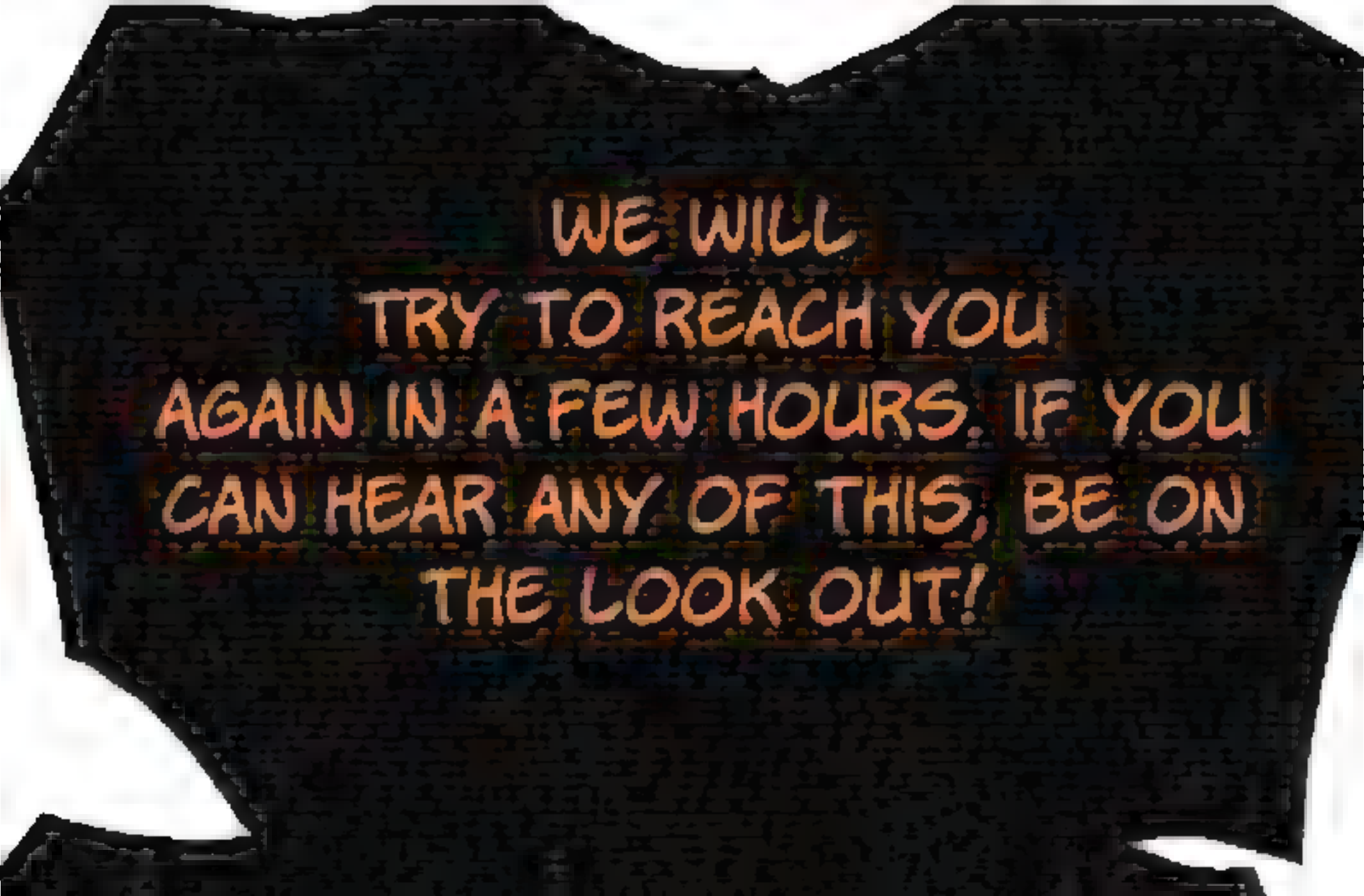

YOUR MISSION EVEN
MORE COMPLICATED, KODYA,
BUT WE NEED YOU TO FIND THE
SWORD AND BRING GYRUS
BACK TO THE ROOM OF
SWORDS.

...

HELLO? KODYA?

ARE YOU LISTENING?


NEPHTHYS, THE CONNECTION MAY STILL BE COMPROMISED...


WE WILL
TRY TO REACH YOU
AGAIN IN A FEW HOURS. IF YOU
CAN HEAR ANY OF THIS, BE ON
THE LOOK OUT!

ZENITH

STANDARD PRODUCTS

CRUSH!

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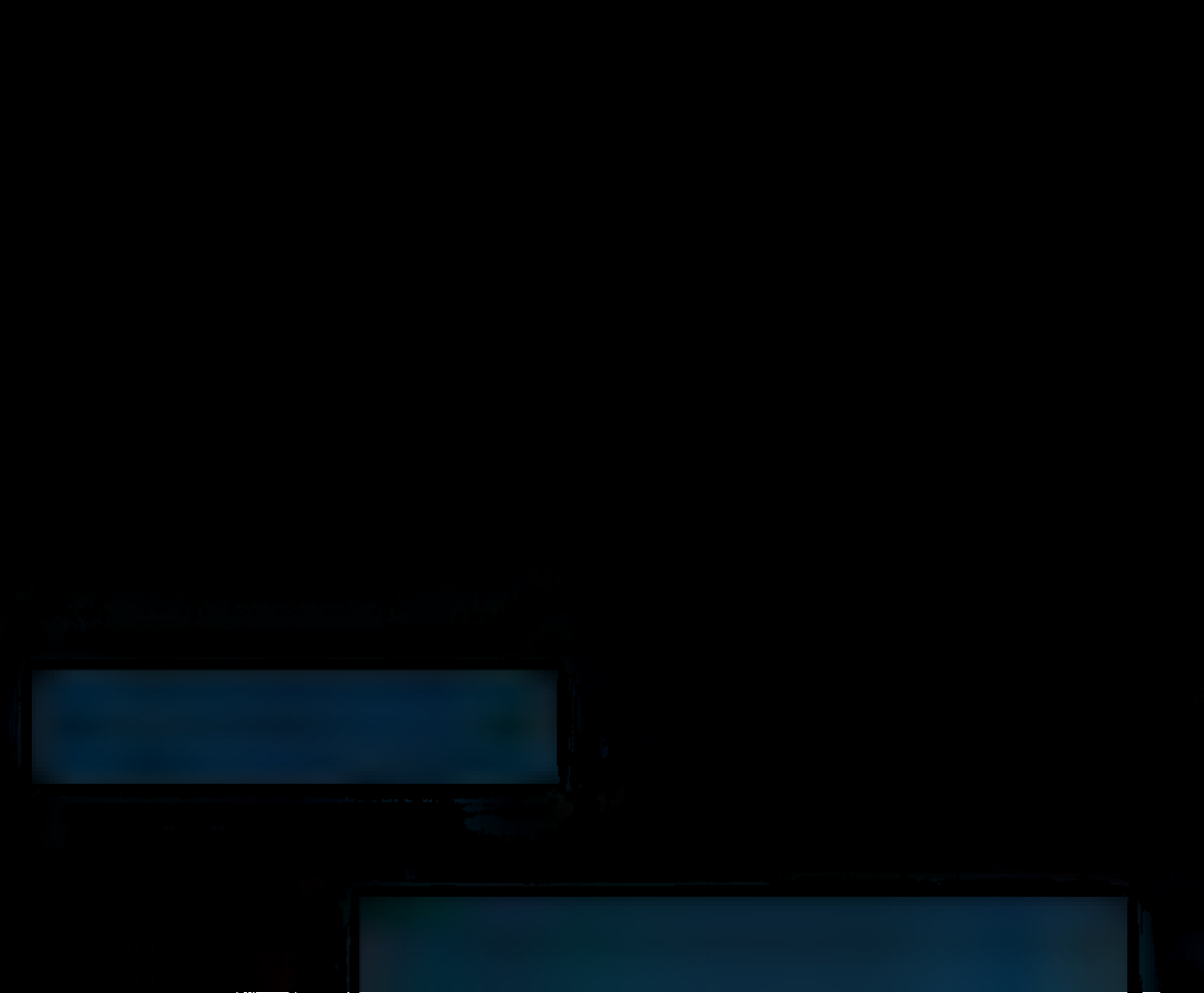

SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE... A CAVEGIRL.

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"CAVE GIRL"?
WHAT IS THAT?

ANOTHER ASTROBUTT THING?

...IT'S
"ASTRONAUT"

AND NO!

CAVEMEN AND WOMEN WERE PREHISTORIC, NOMADIC PEOPLE. THEY'RE OUR ANCESTORS!
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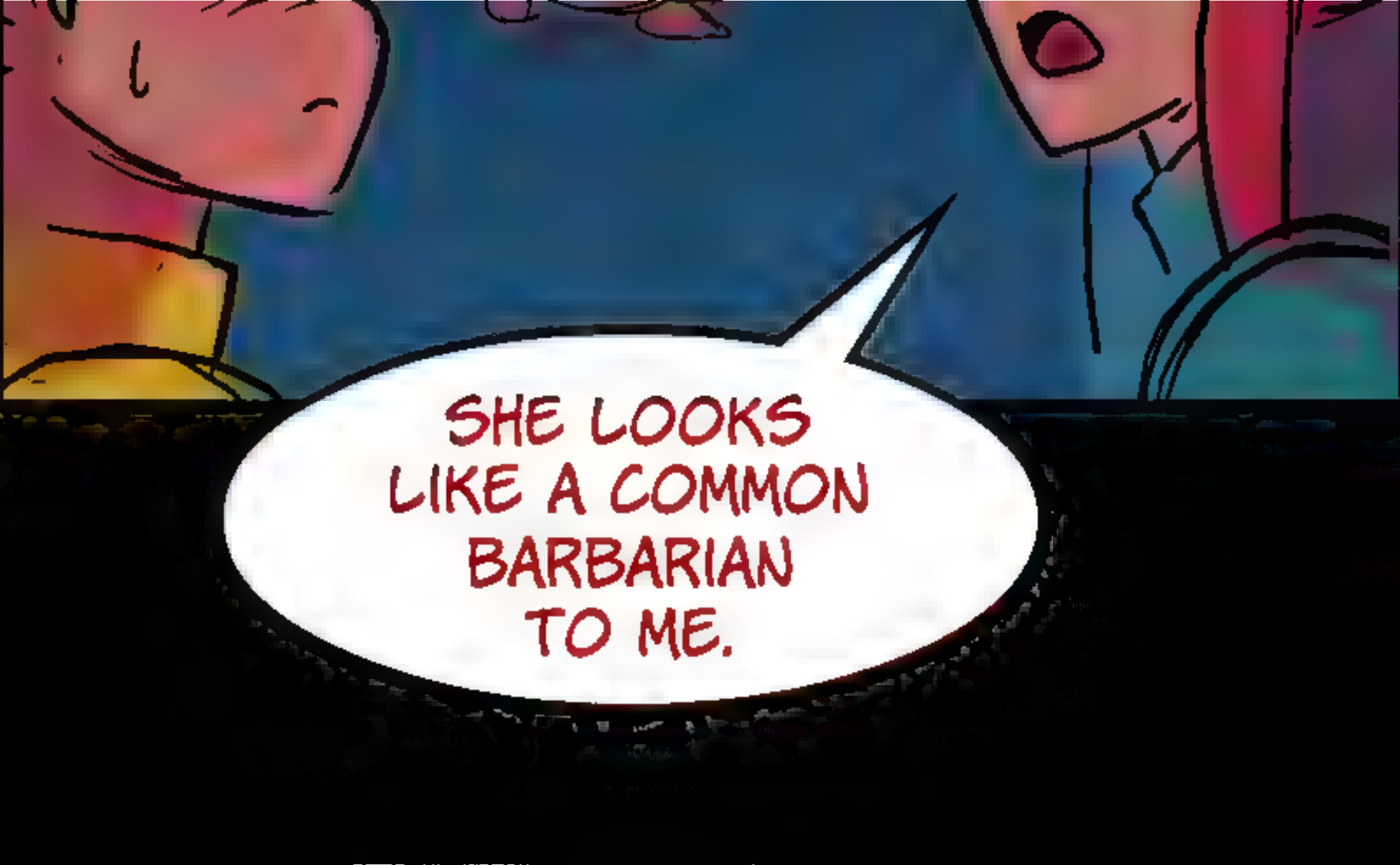
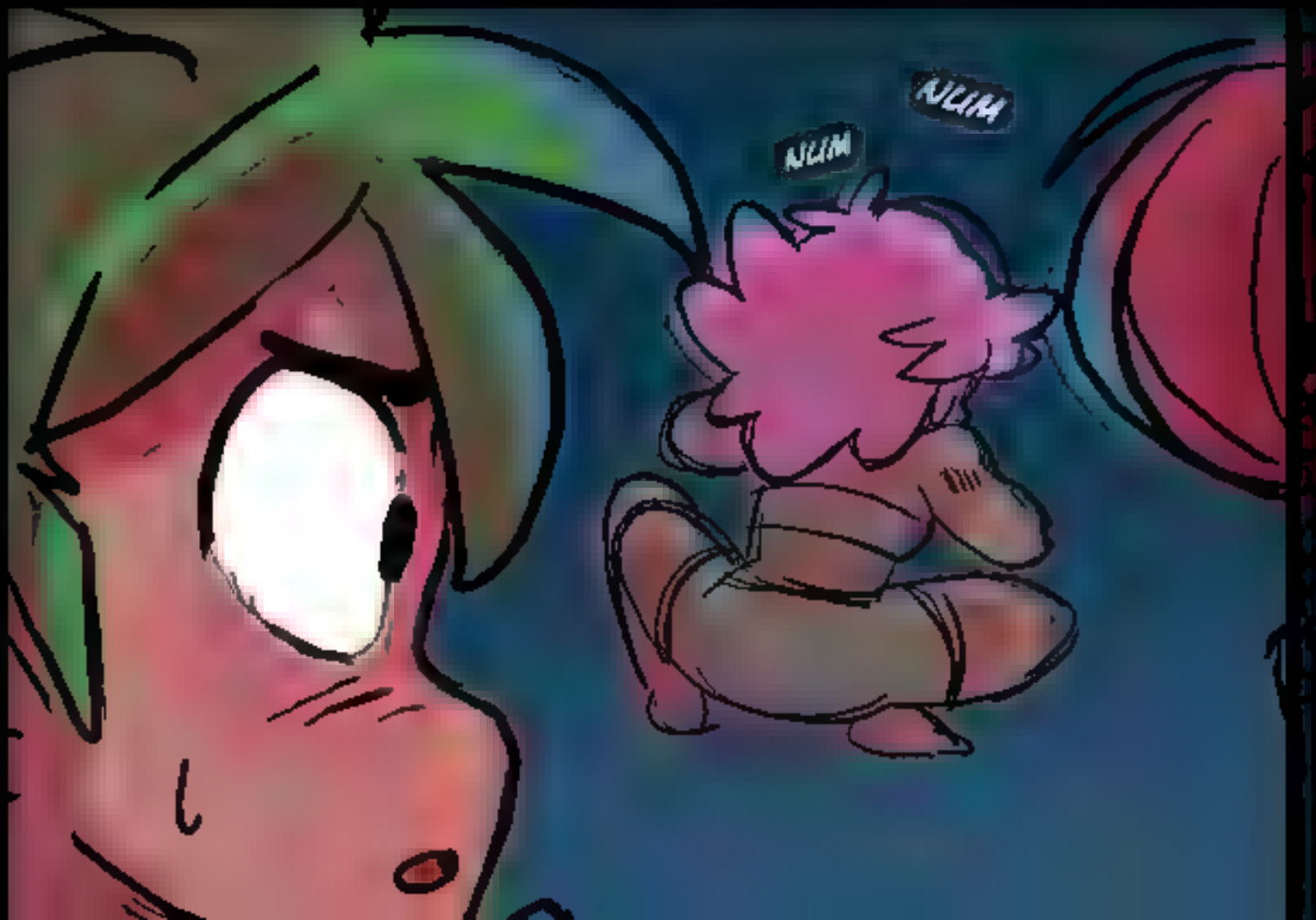

SHE LOOKS LIKE A COMMON BARBARIAN TO ME.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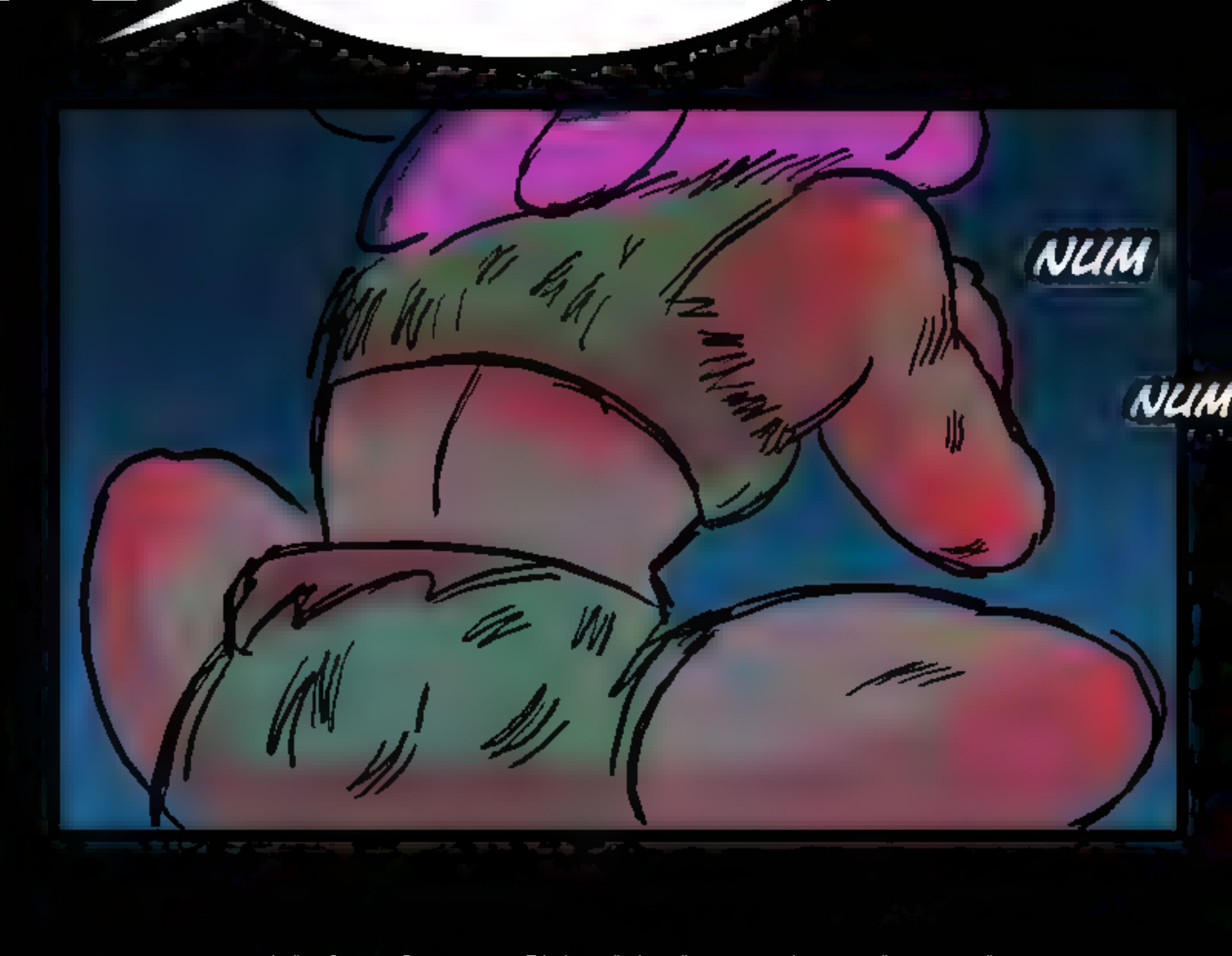
HMM... WELL THAT WOULD BE STRANGE TOO, BUT I DON'T THINK SO. LOOK AT HER CLOTHES.
...THEY'RE MADE FROM VERY PRIMITIVE MATERIALS: ANIMAL SKINS AND BONES.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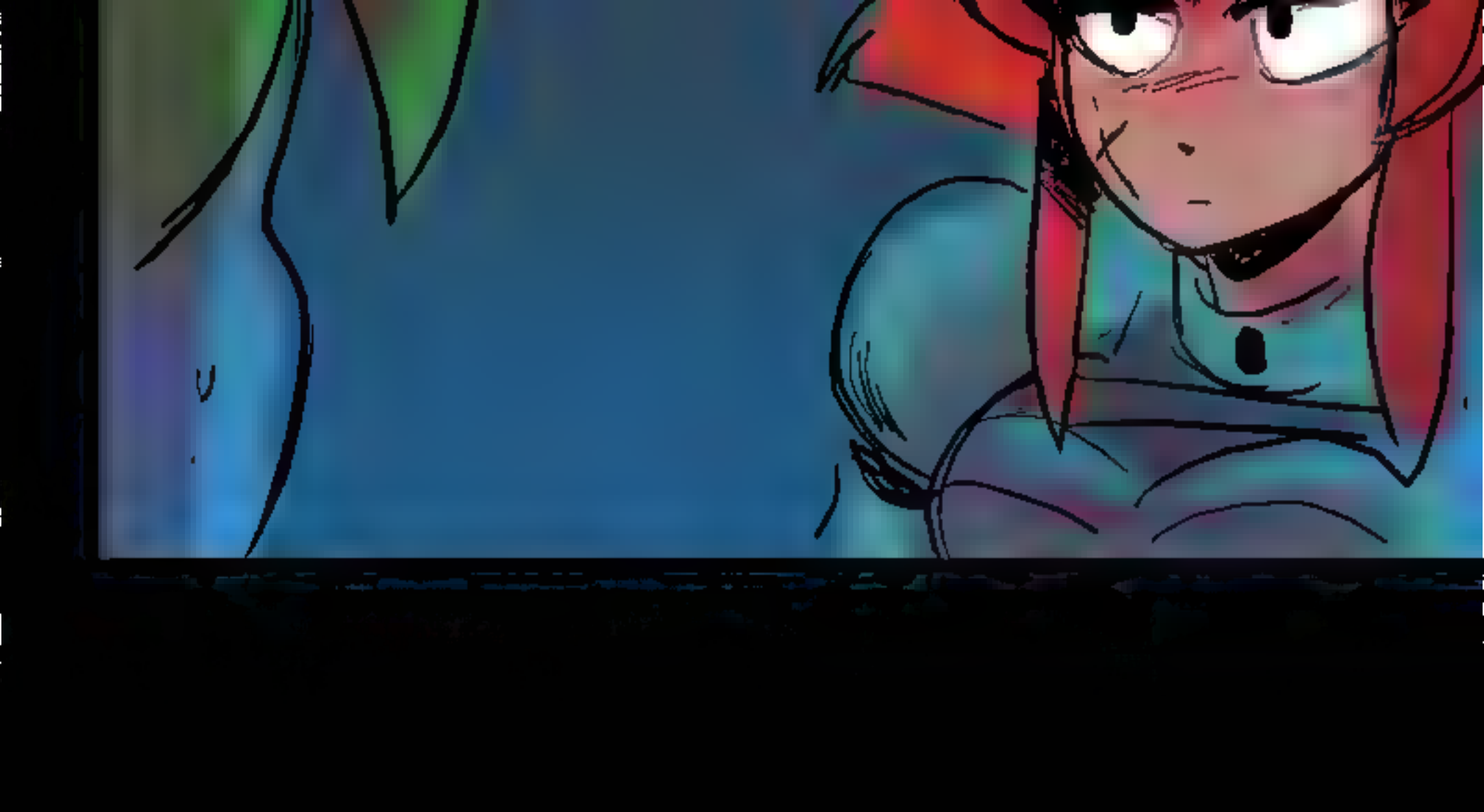
WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?

DON'T YOU SEE? IT FORMS A PATTERN!

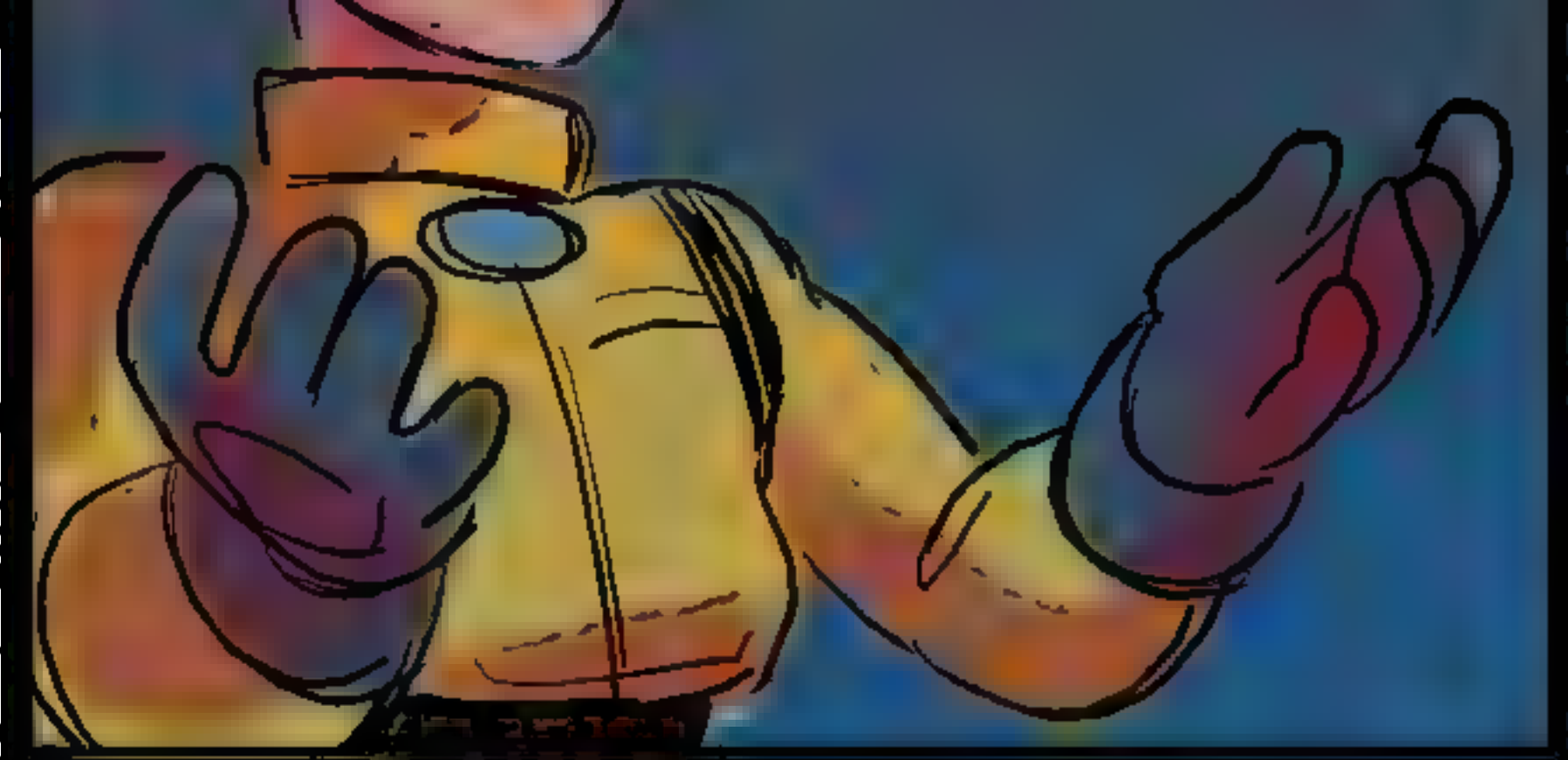
...
A PATTERN.

YES, LOOK, WHAT YEAR DO YOU THINK IT IS? SOMETIME IN THE MIDDLE AGES?

...MIDDLE
WHAT?



I'M FROM THE YEAR 2545! AND CAVE PEOPLE LIVED THOUSANDS OF YEARS BEFORE EITHER OF US!



TIME TRAVEL *ISN'T EVEN PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE!* BUT NEITHER IS A LOT OF STUFF THAT'S HAPPENED HERE...

...

THE BLACK SUN THAT COUNTS DOWN LIKE A TIMER... DISAPPEARING SWORDS... A GIANT TRICLOPS EXPLODING INTO A CLOUD OF GLOWING ORBS...

AND WHEN THAT TORCH FELL WHILE YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS, I THINK I SAW IT STOP IN MIDDAIR THEN FLY INTO MY HAND!

I WONDER IF OUR CRASH LANDING HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THIS...
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DID WE HAVE SOME UNINTENTIONAL IMPACT ON THE FABRIC OF SPACE-TIME?

OR PERHAPS...
?

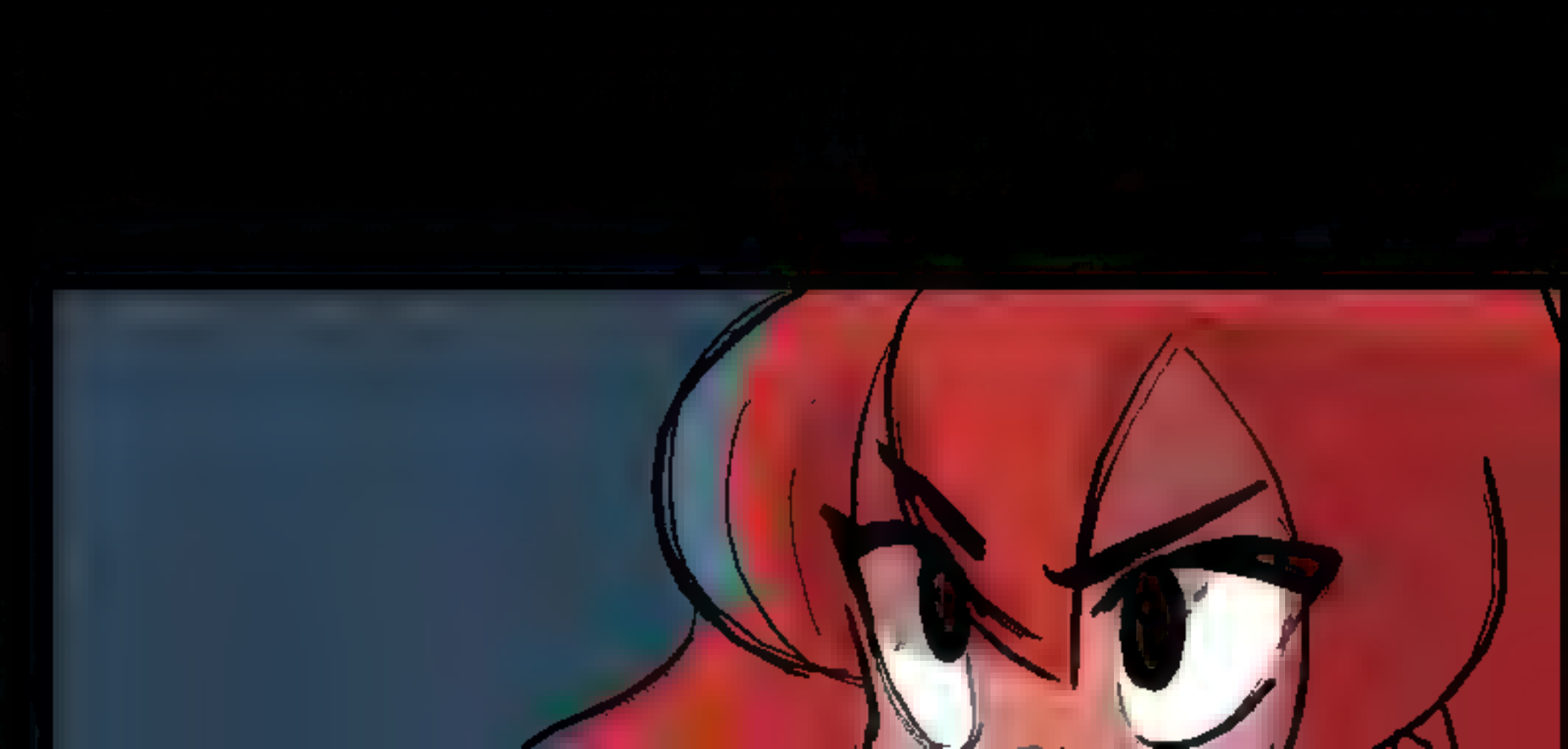
...WE HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE GATES OF AVALON.

...AVALON?

THE AFTERLIFE.
AND IT IS THE VOICE OF GOD THAT SPOKE TO US...

HE IS GIVING US AN OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN TO THE LAND OF THE LIVING AND FULFILL OUR PURPOSE.

I DON'T KNOW, TORI... THAT SEEMS HIGHLY IMPROBABLE.



WHEREFORE?
YE JUST SAID YE COULD NOT ACCOUNT FOR IT. GOD IS THE ONLY EXPLANATION FOR THE UNEXPLAINABLE.
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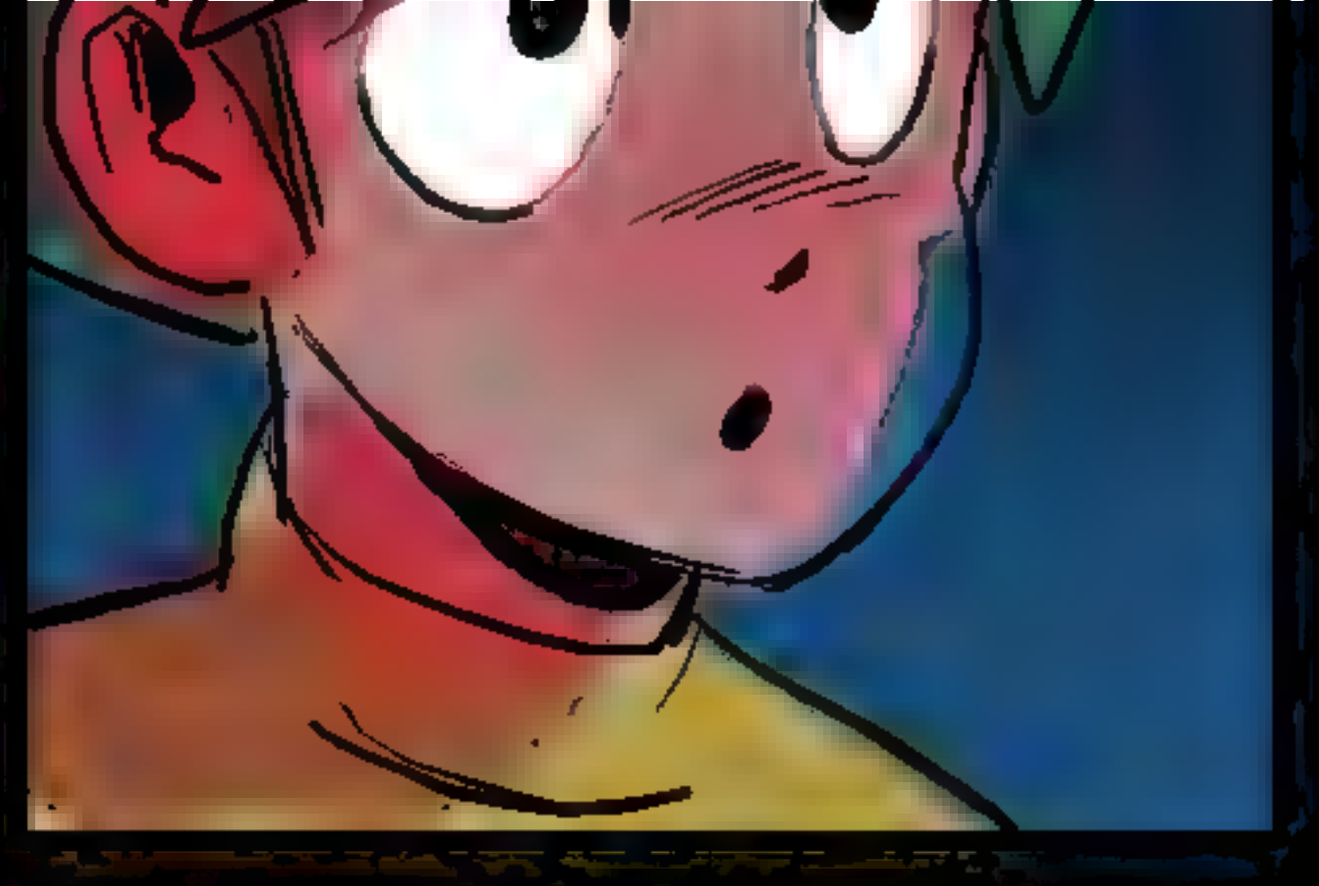
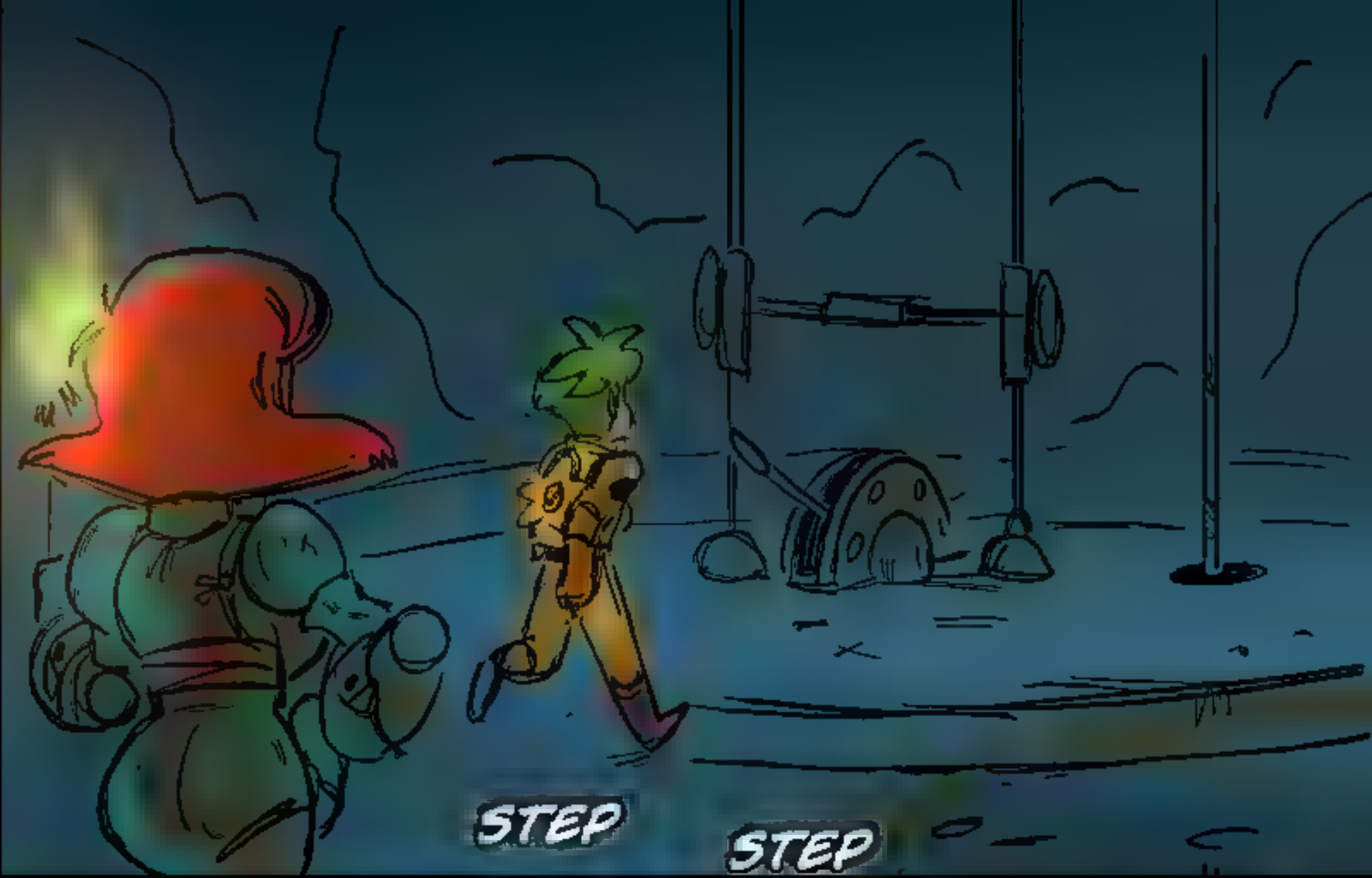


WAIT, LOOK! DO YOU SEE THAT?!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WHAT
IS IT? IS THIS
THY SHIP?

NO. IT'S

AN ELEVATOR!
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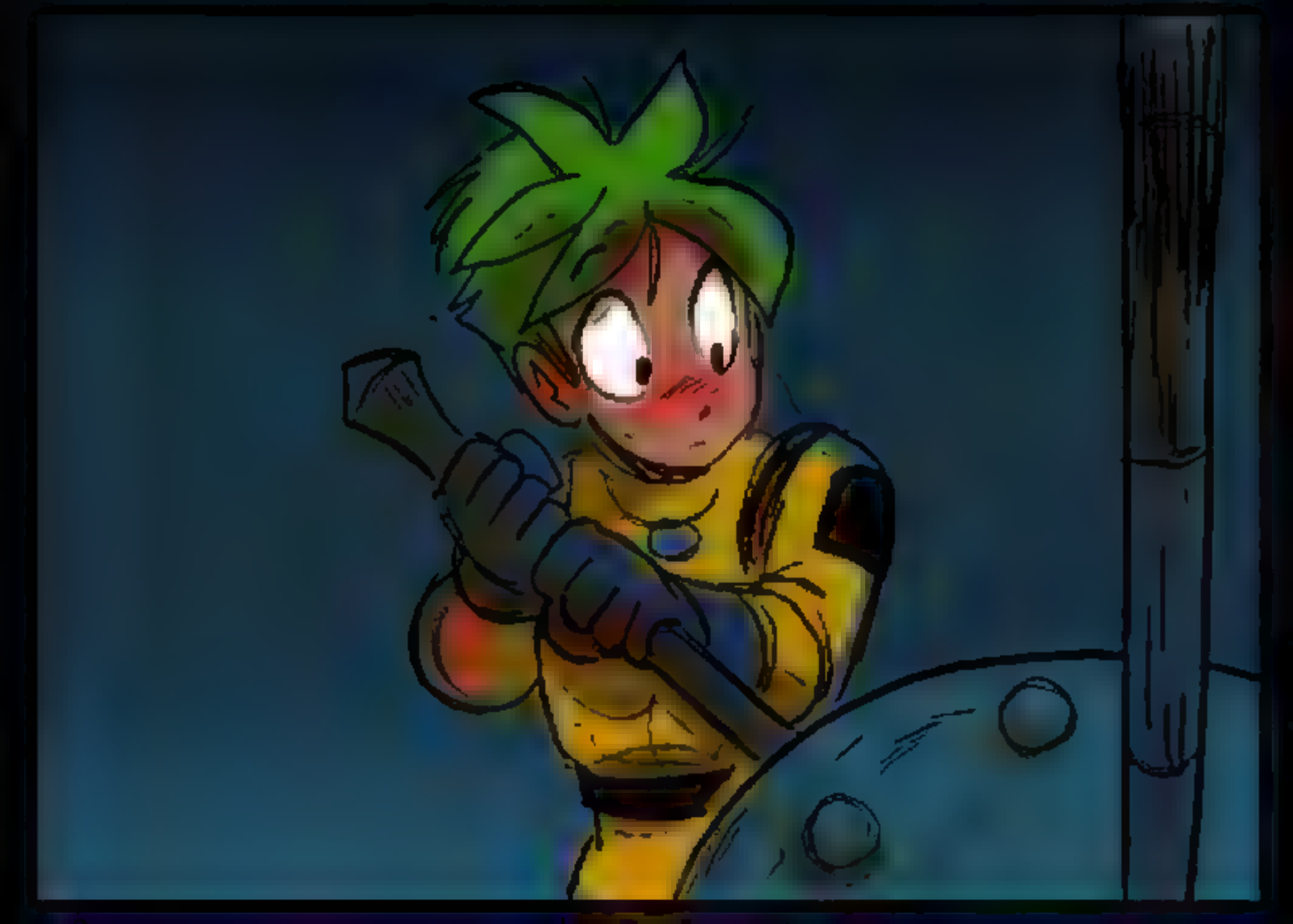
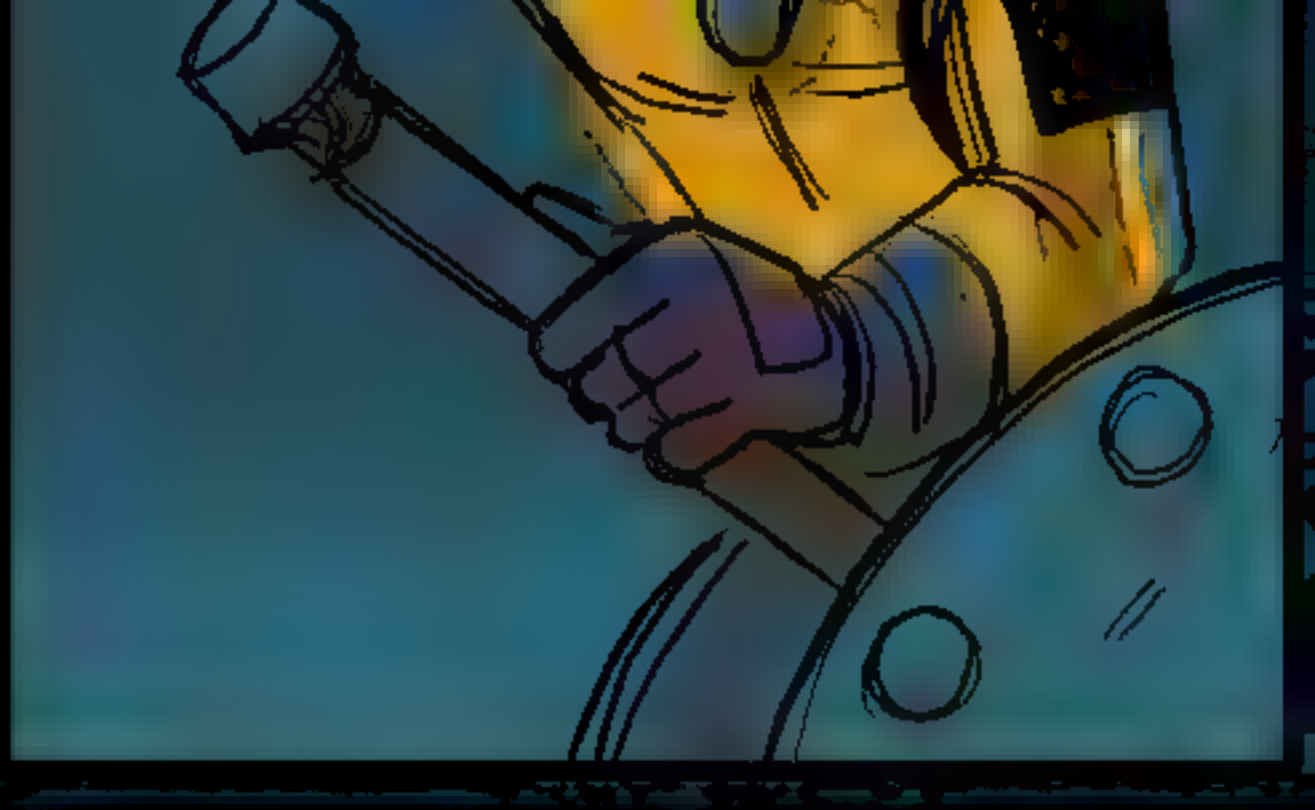
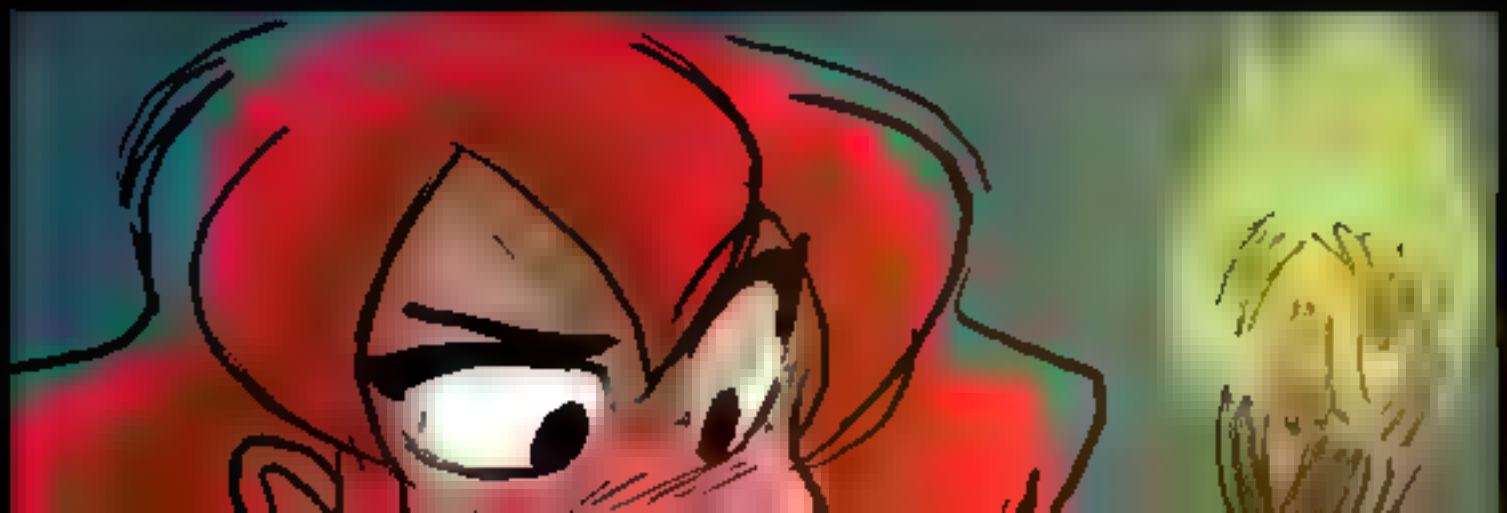


HMMPHHH!!

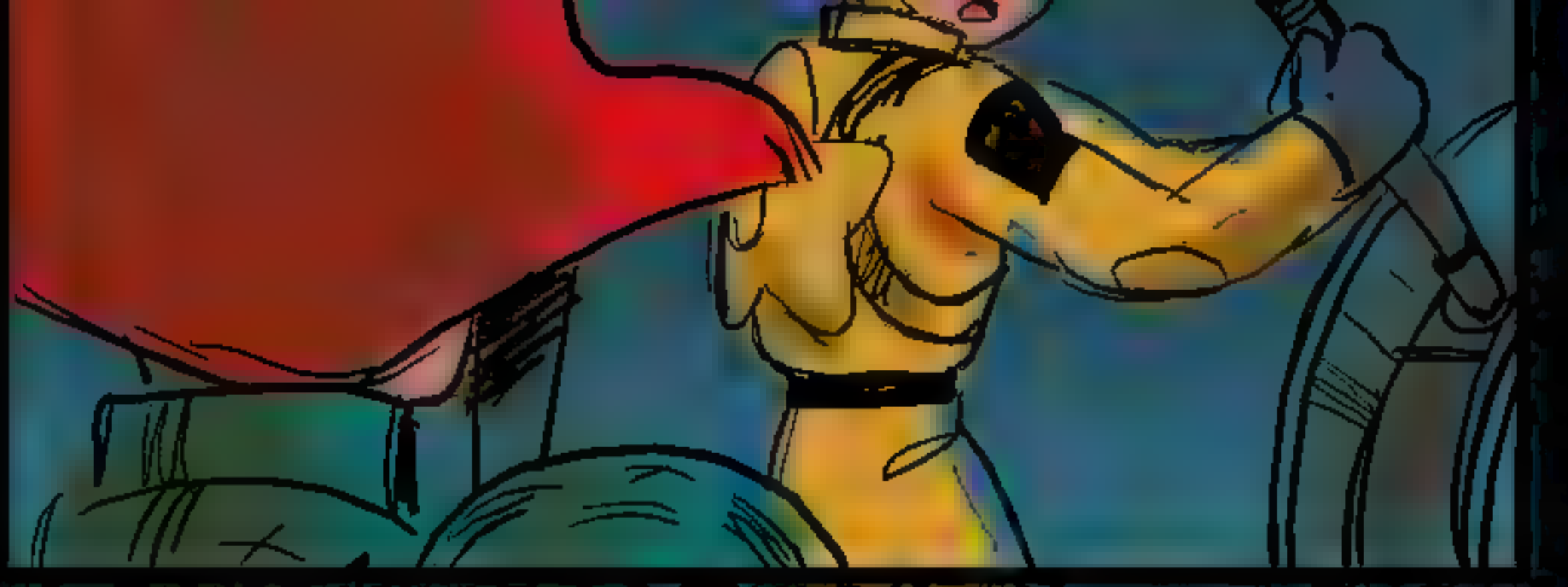
EEENGHHH!!!

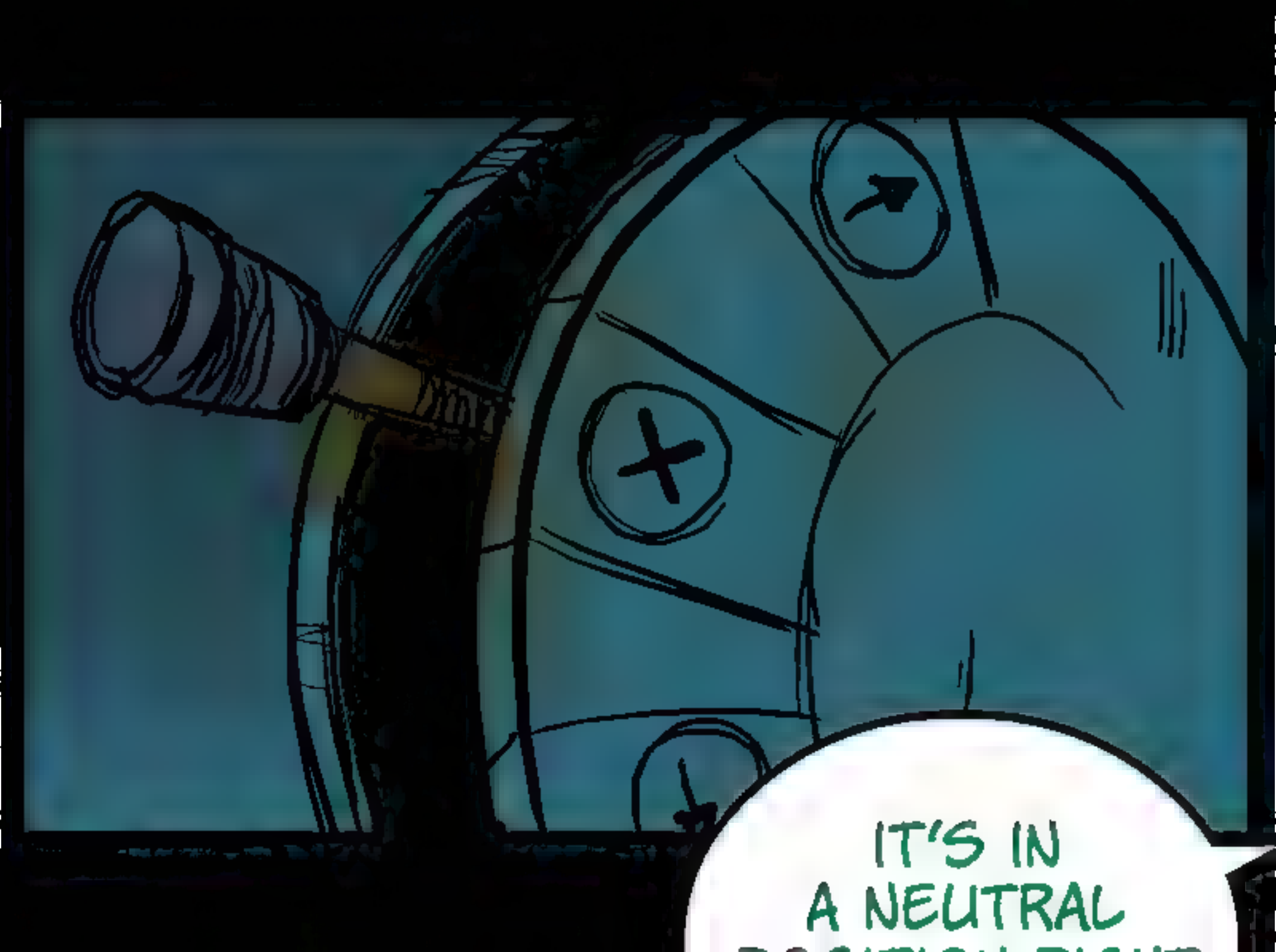
IT WON'T BUDGE!





WHAT ARE YE TRYING TO DO?
SEE THIS LEVER?




IT'S IN A NEUTRAL

POSITION RIGHT NOW.
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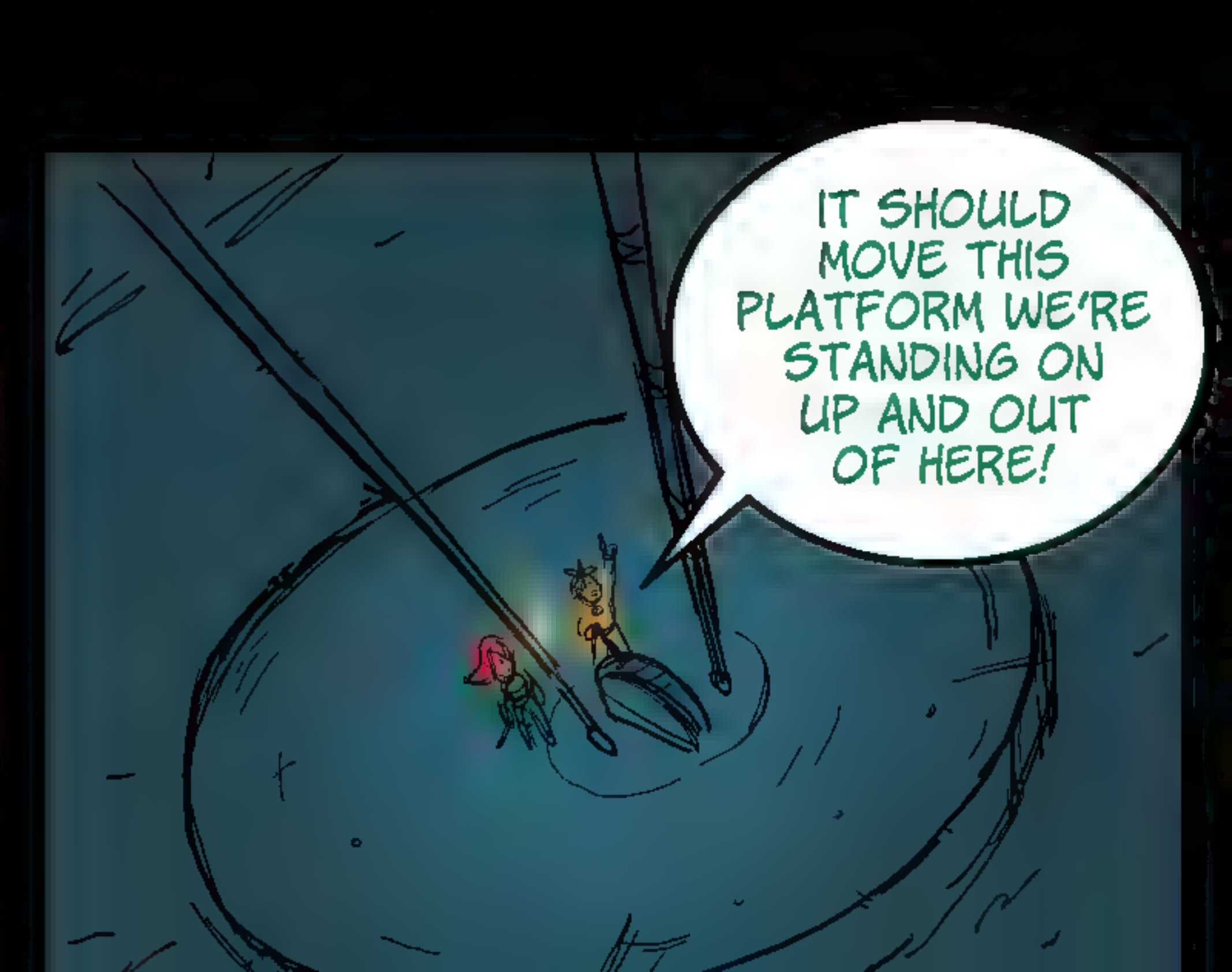
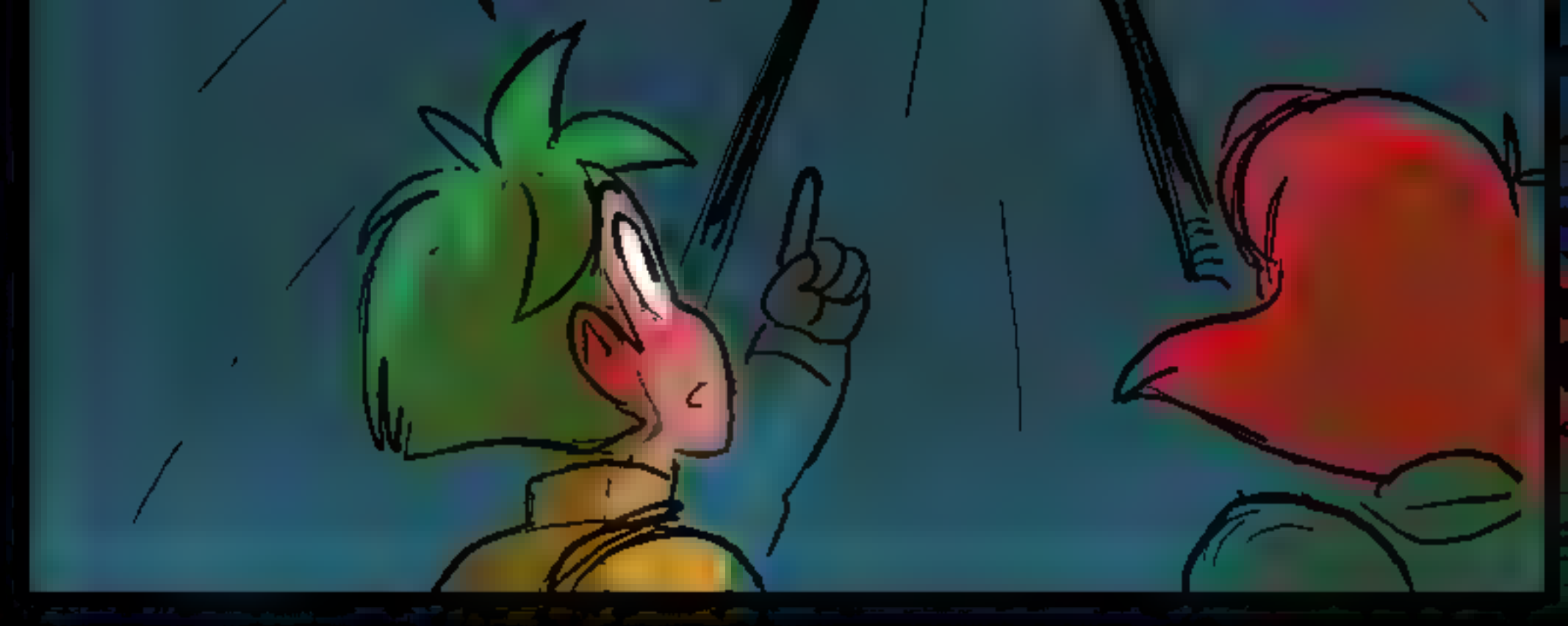
IF WE PUSH IT THAT WAY...

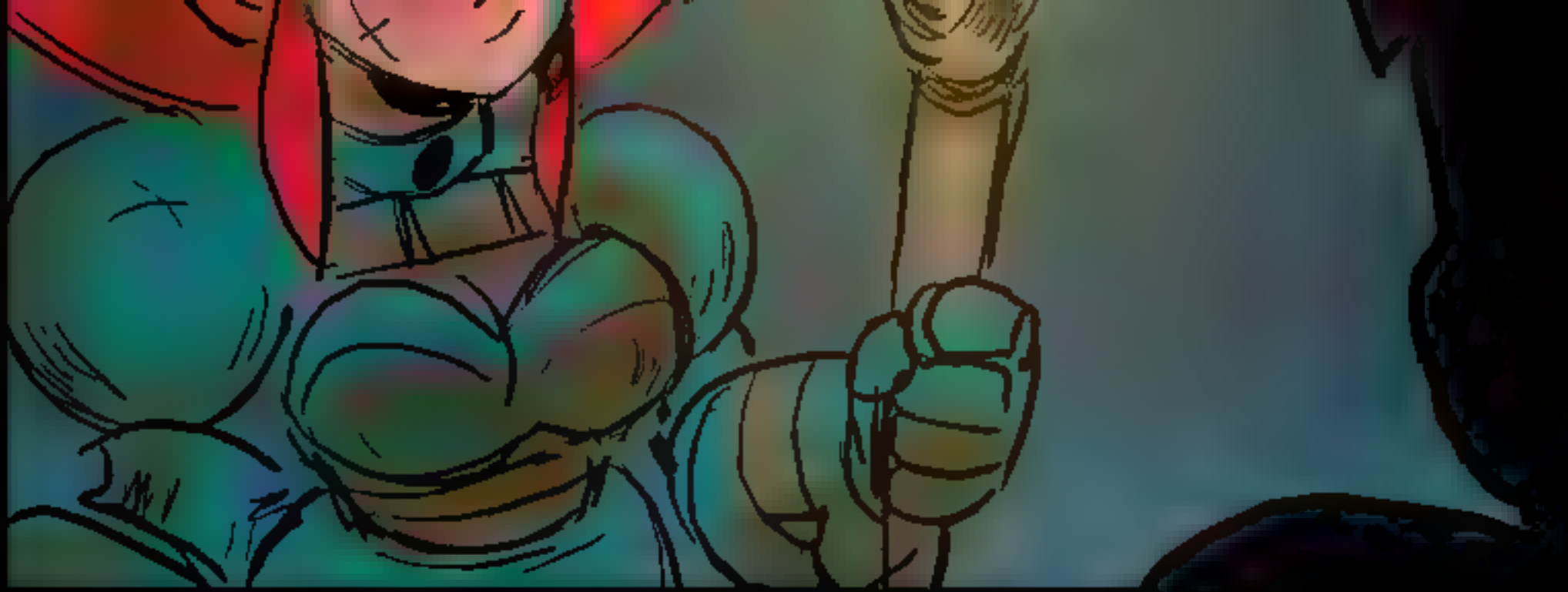

IT SHOULD MOVE THIS PLATFORM WE'RE STANDING ON UP AND OUT OF HERE!

IT MIGHT TAKE US ALL THE WAY TO THE SHIP!



THIS THING IS COMPLETELY STUCK, THOUGH!

HEH

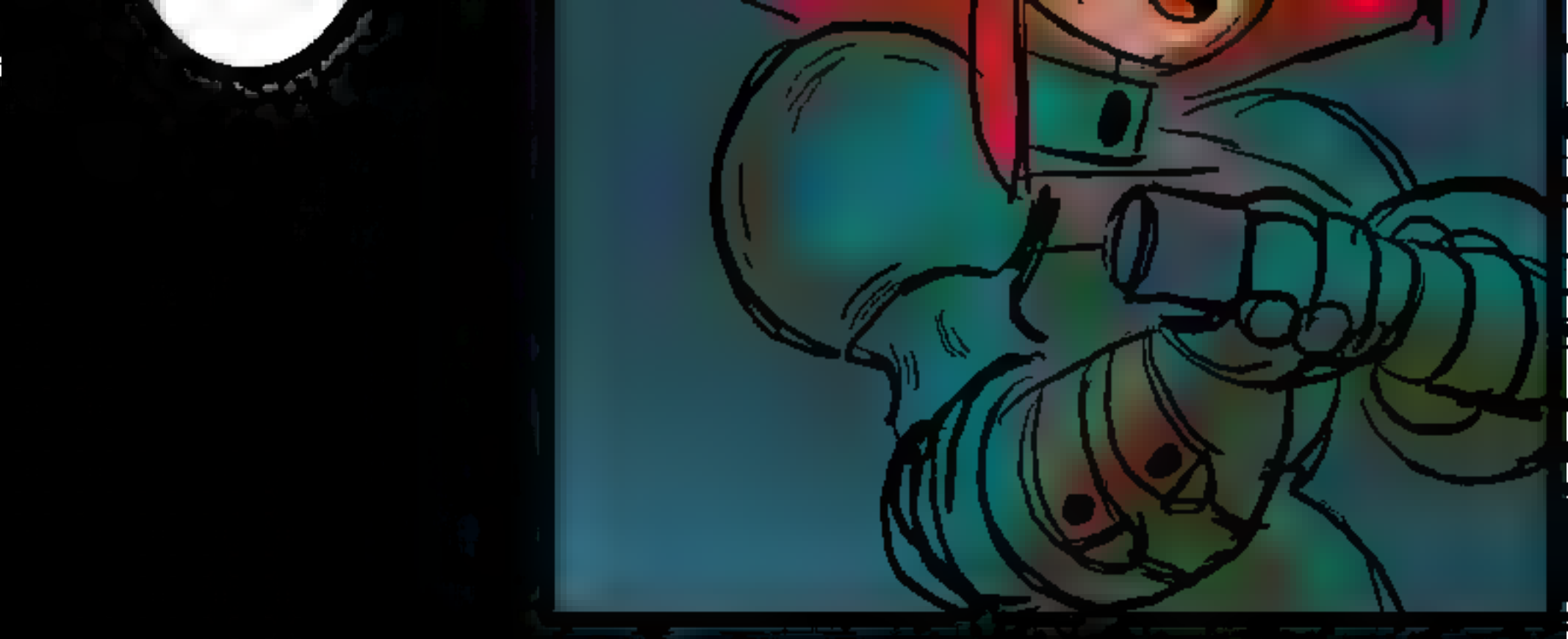


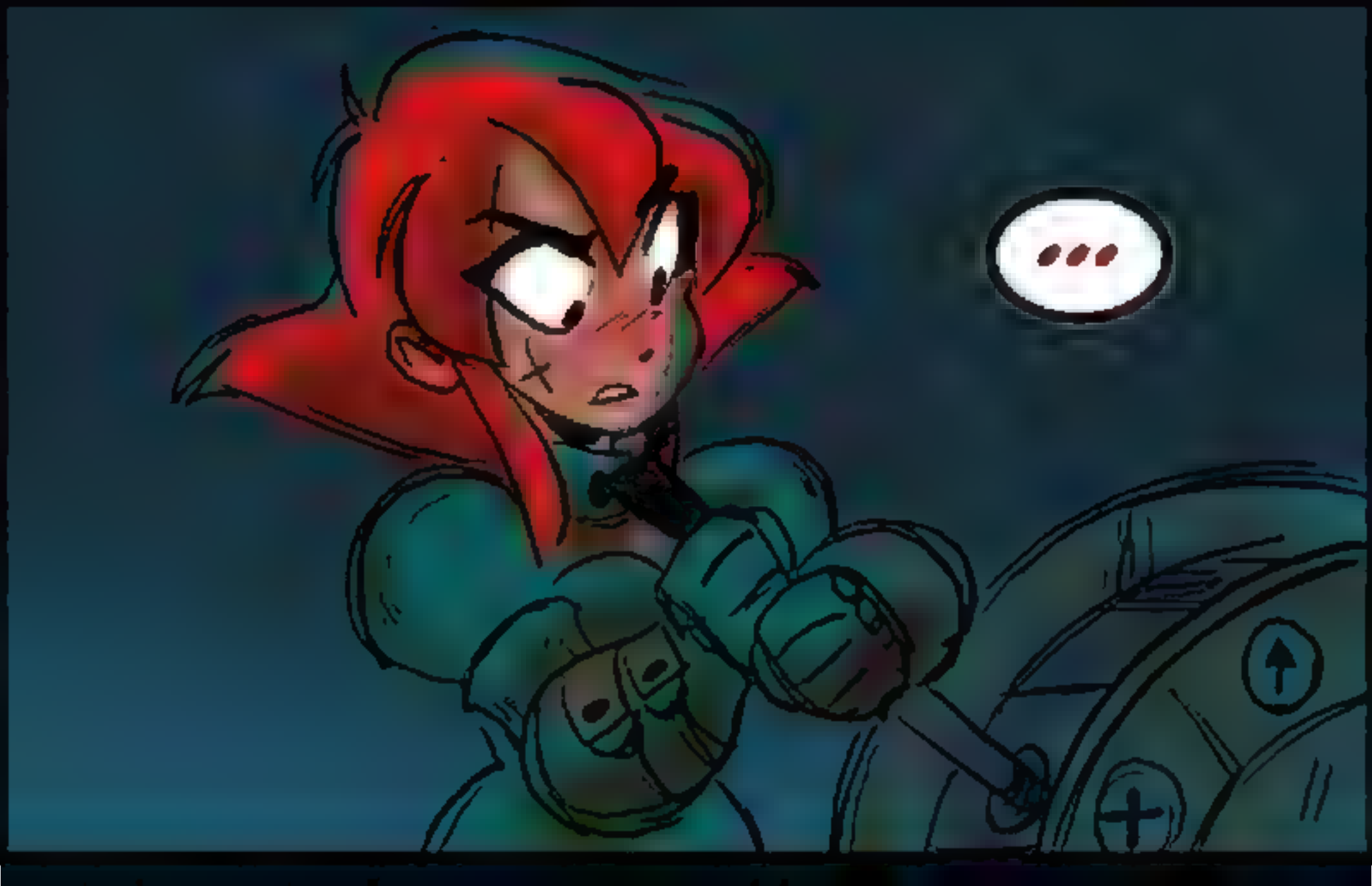
ALLOW ME.

HOLD THIS.

FINE, BUT BE CAREFUL! I REALLY THINK IT'S STUCK...

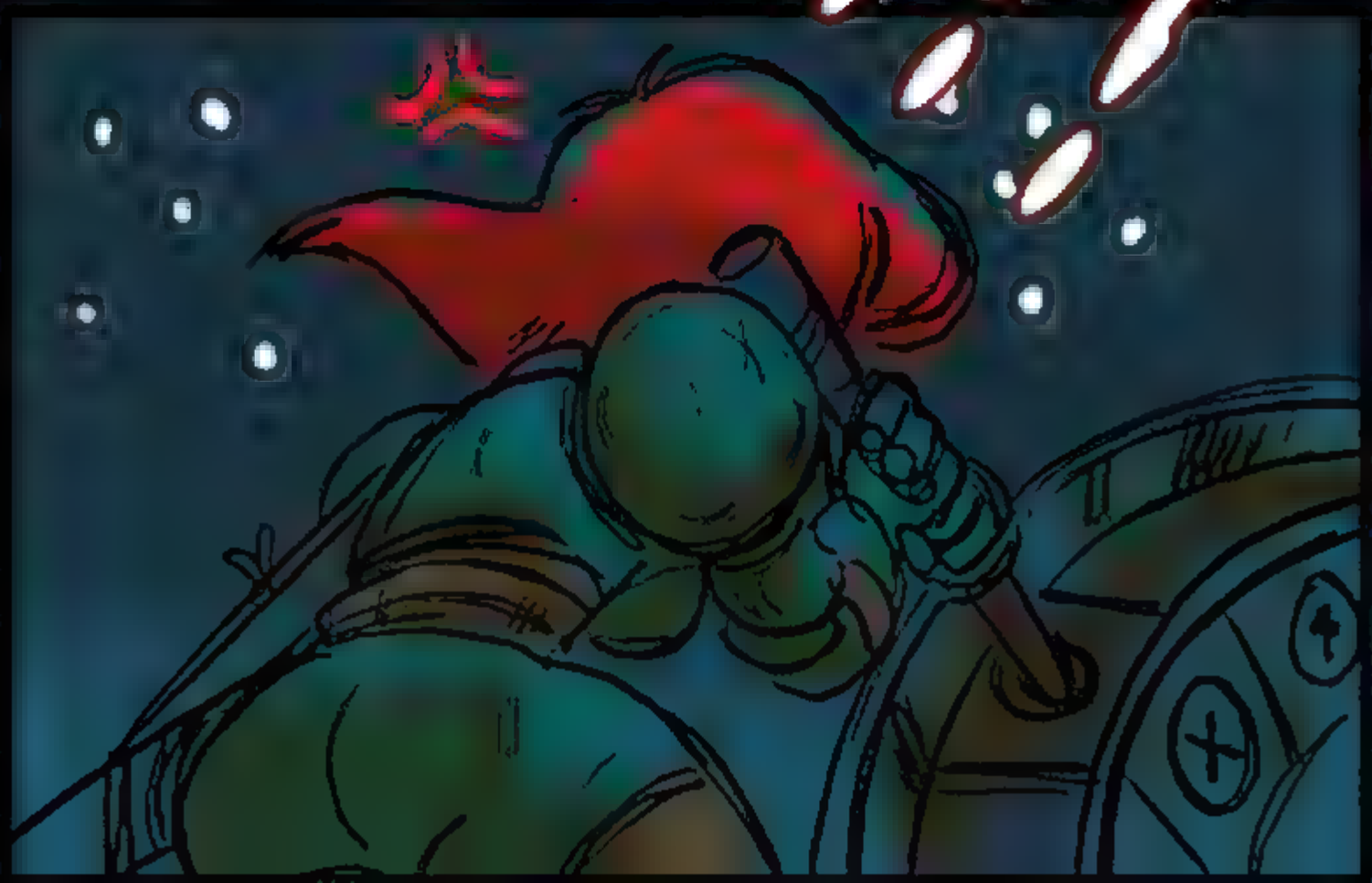
WE SHALL SEE.

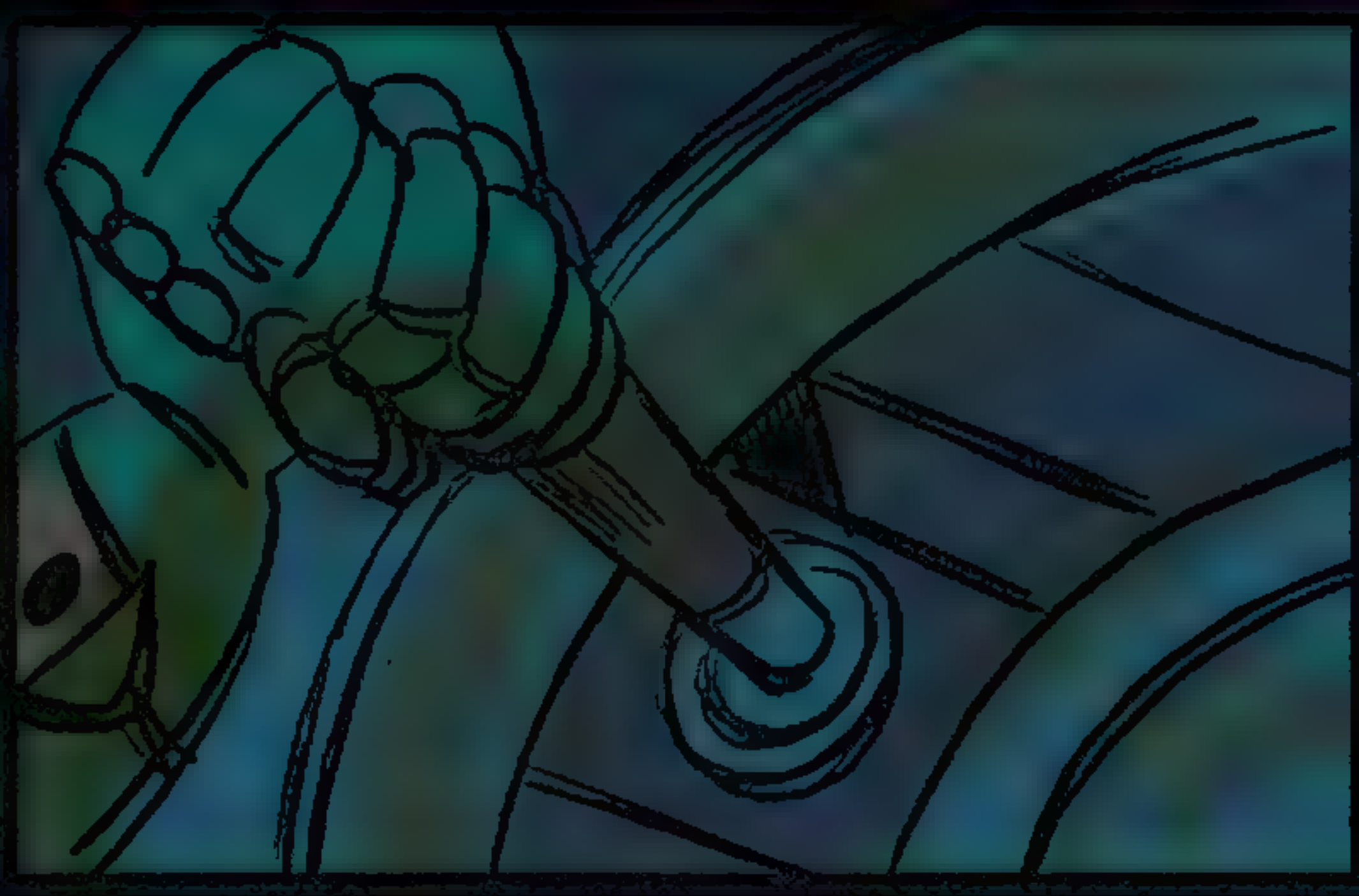


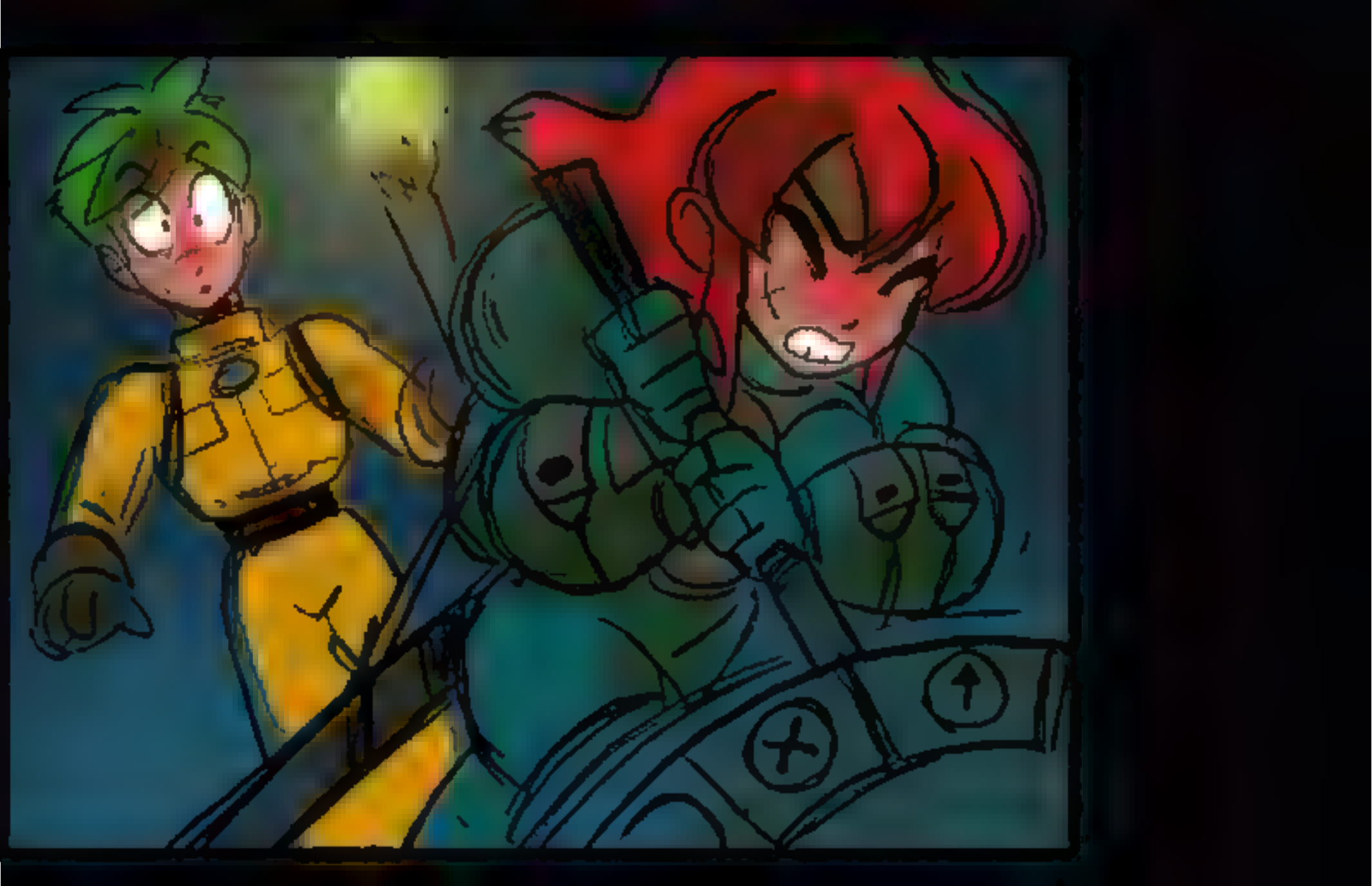


WHAT THE DEVIL?

HHNGGHH!!!







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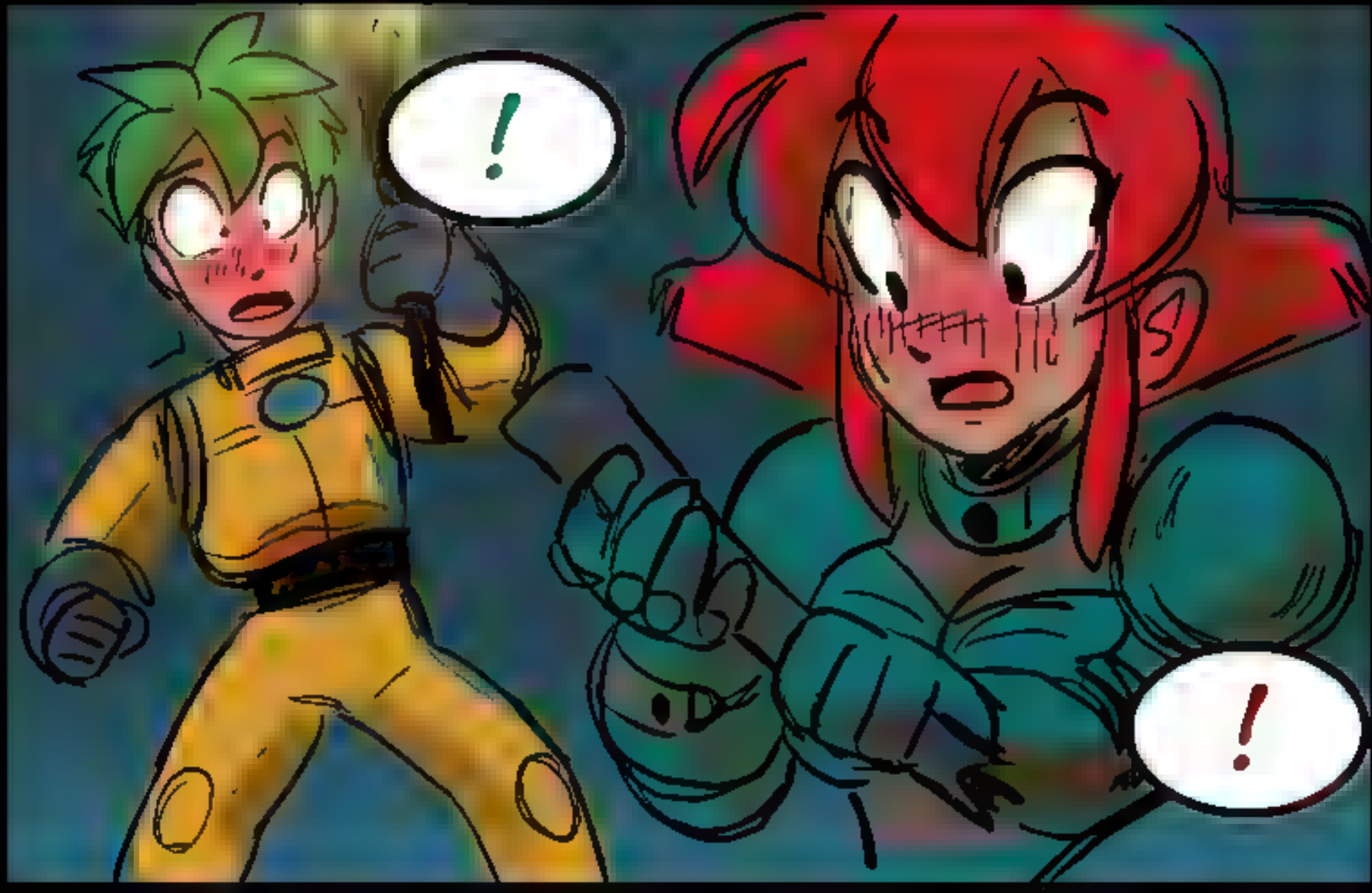

'TWAS NOT MADE OF A VERY STURDY MATERIAL...

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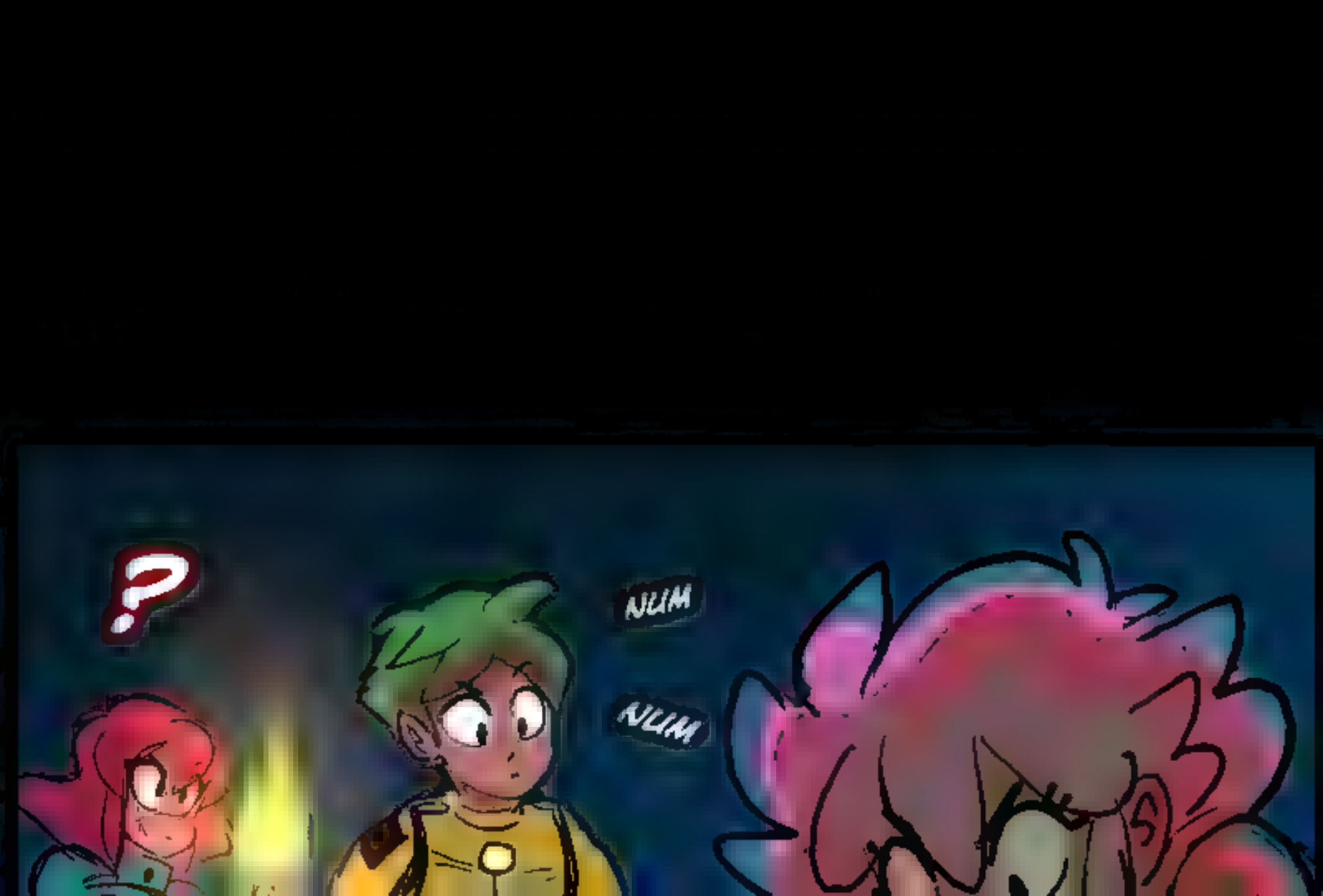
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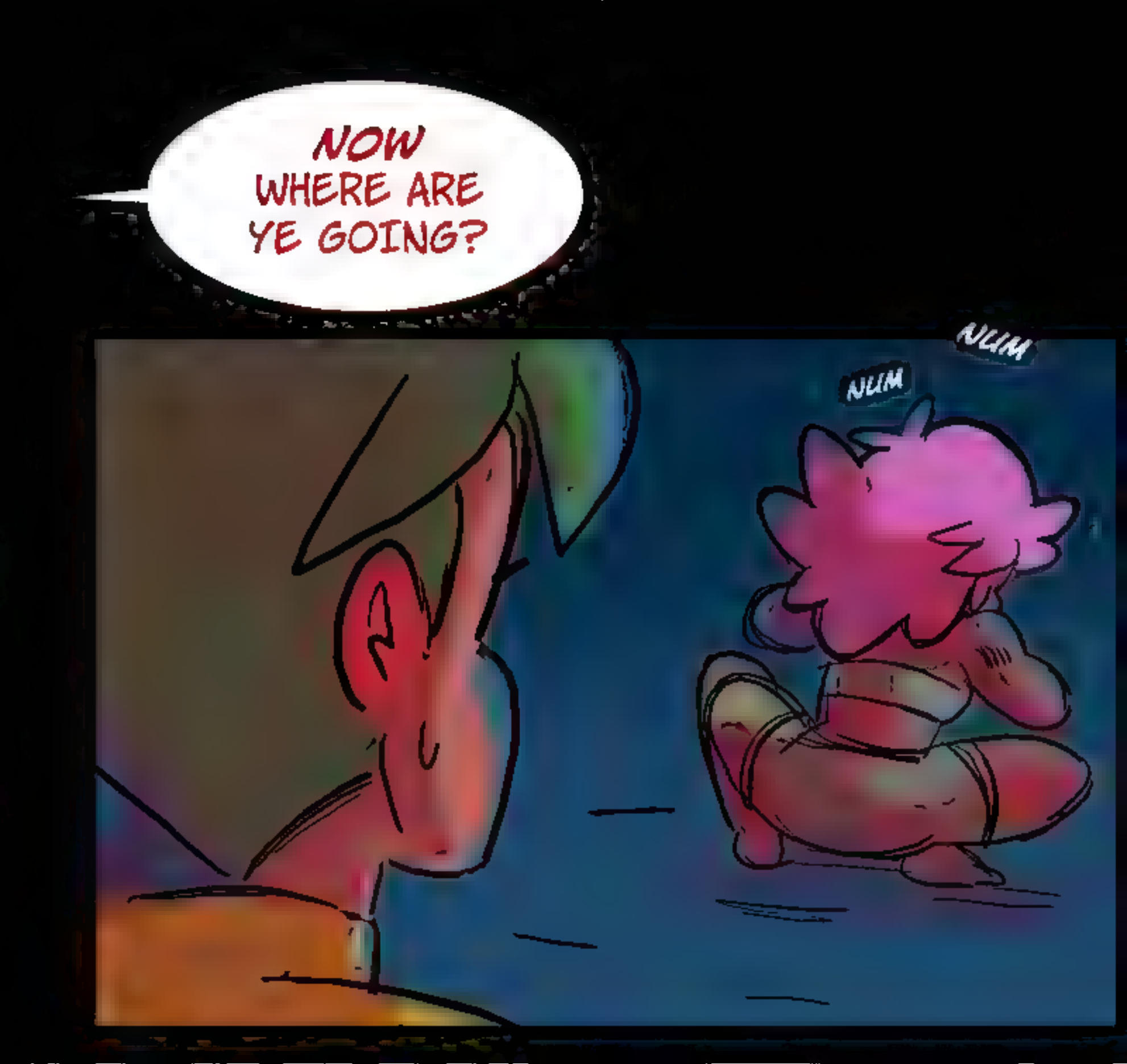
NOW WHERE ARE YE GOING?
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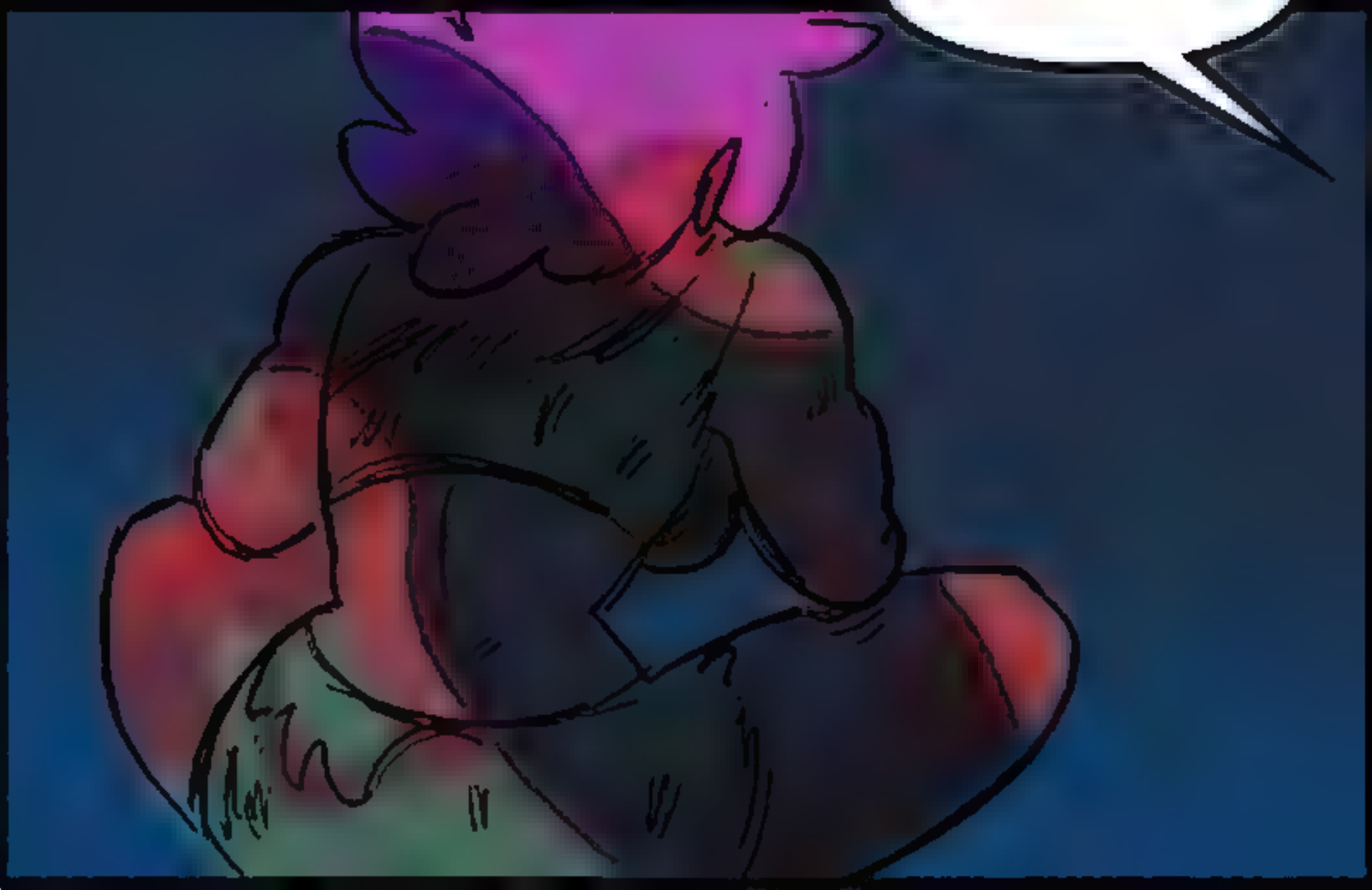
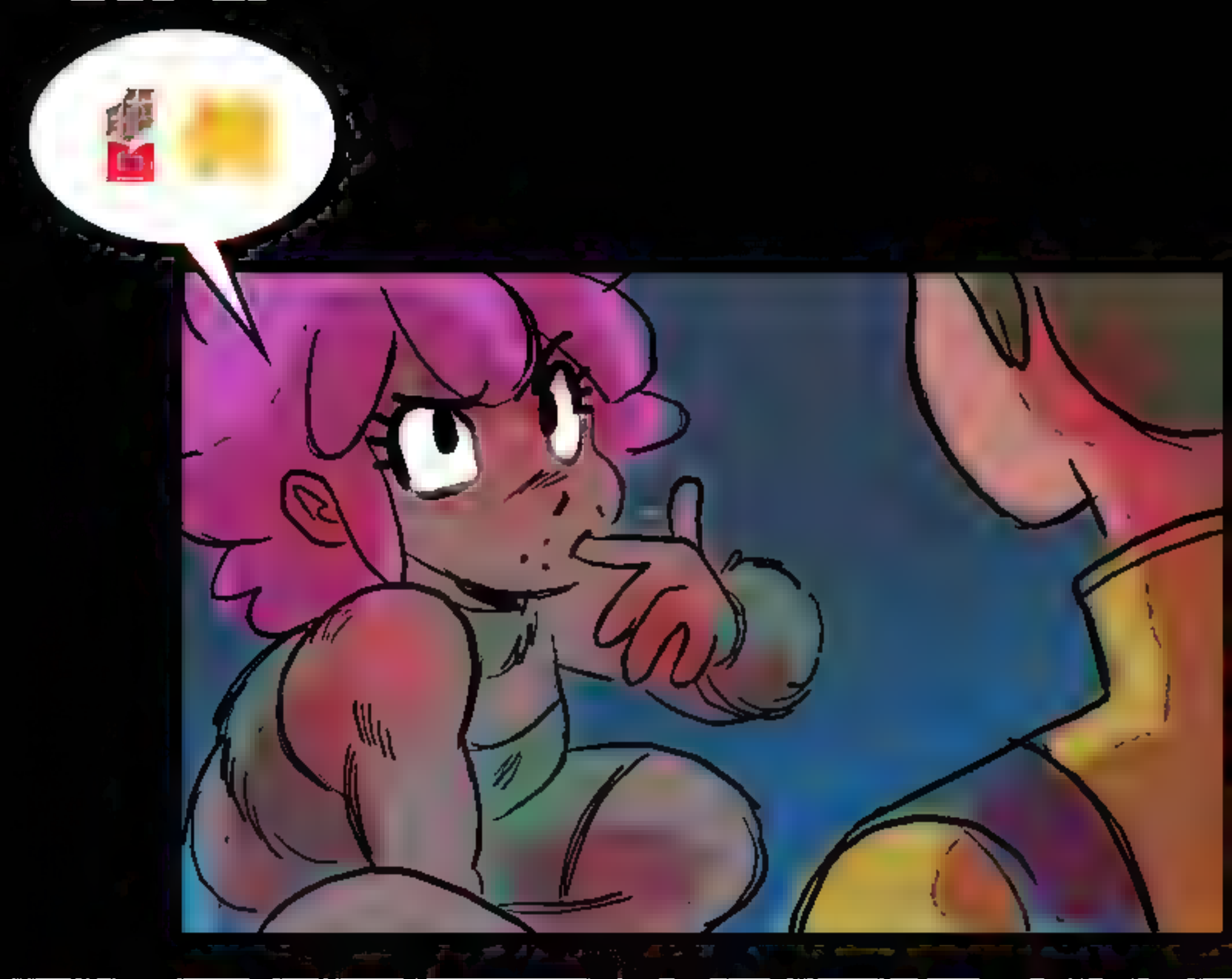
I'M GOING TO TRY TALKING TO HER. MAYBE SHE

KNOWS ANOTHER
WAY OUT.

ARE YE MAD?! WHAT IF SHE ATTACKS?
DO NOT EXPECT ME TO HELP IF YE GET THYSELF IN TROUBLE!

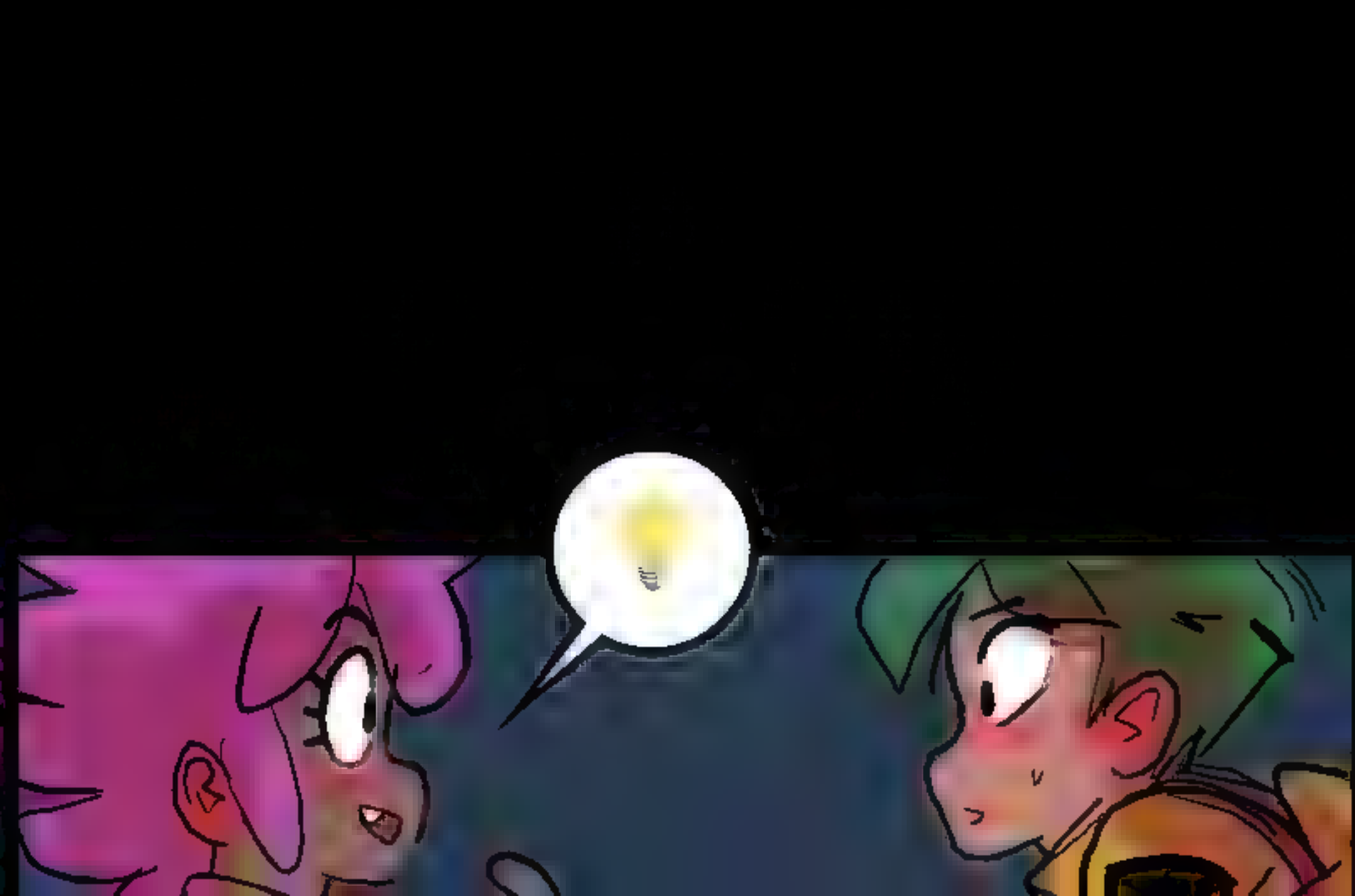
AHEM...
EXCUSE ME...

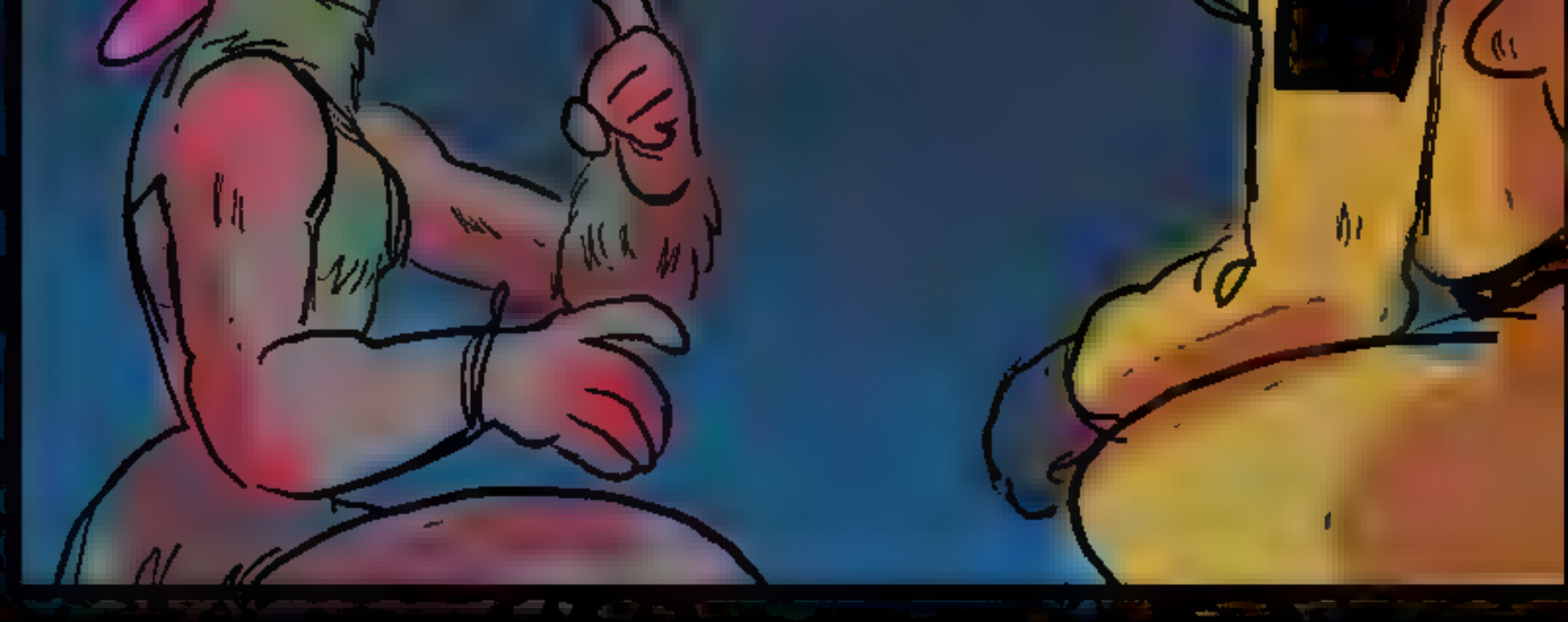




UH, HEY...
MY NAME IS GYRUS. IT'S... UMM... NICE TO MEET YOU!

SORRY?
I DON'T THINK I UNDERSTAND
...
CAN YOU TELL US HOW YOU GOT HERE?





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I GUESS IT'S NO USE... WE DON'T SEEM TO BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER.
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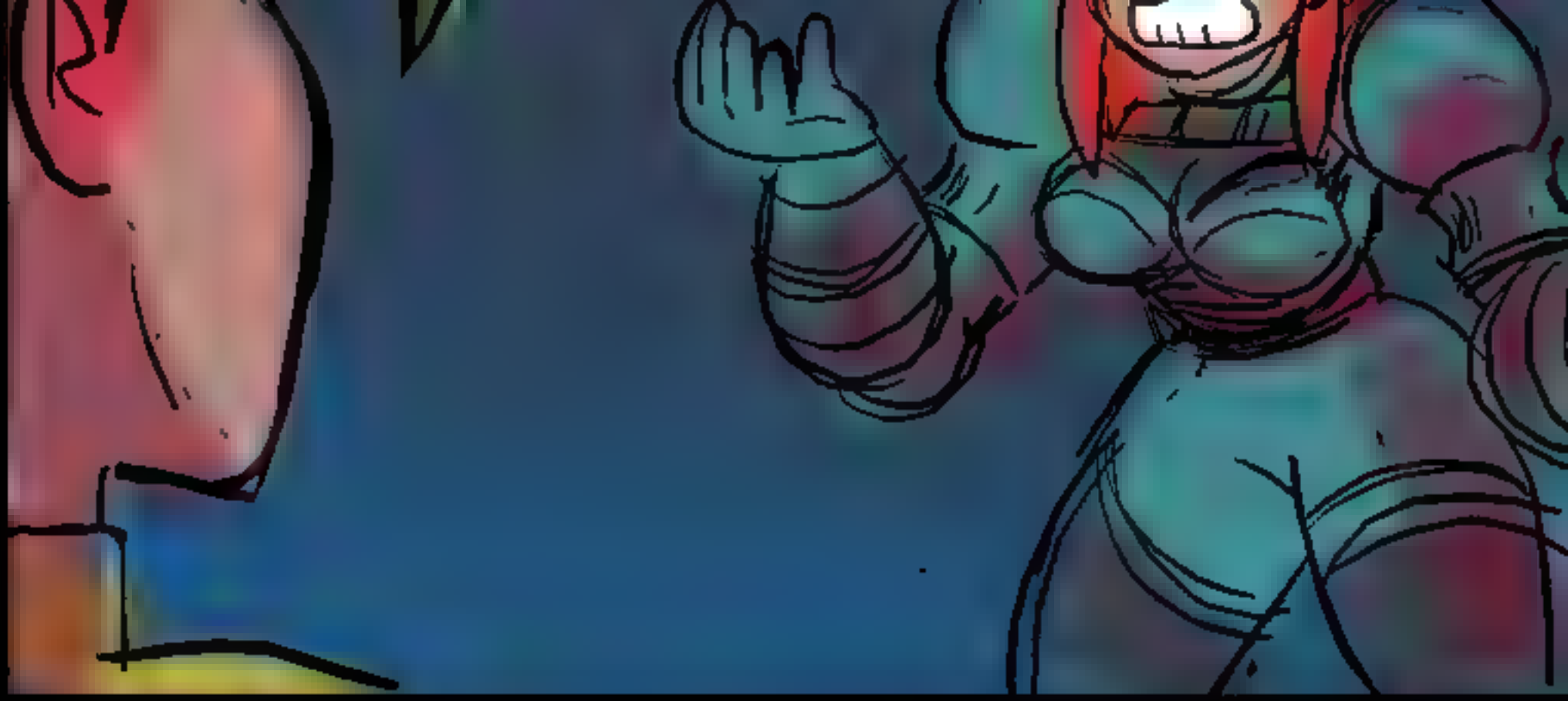
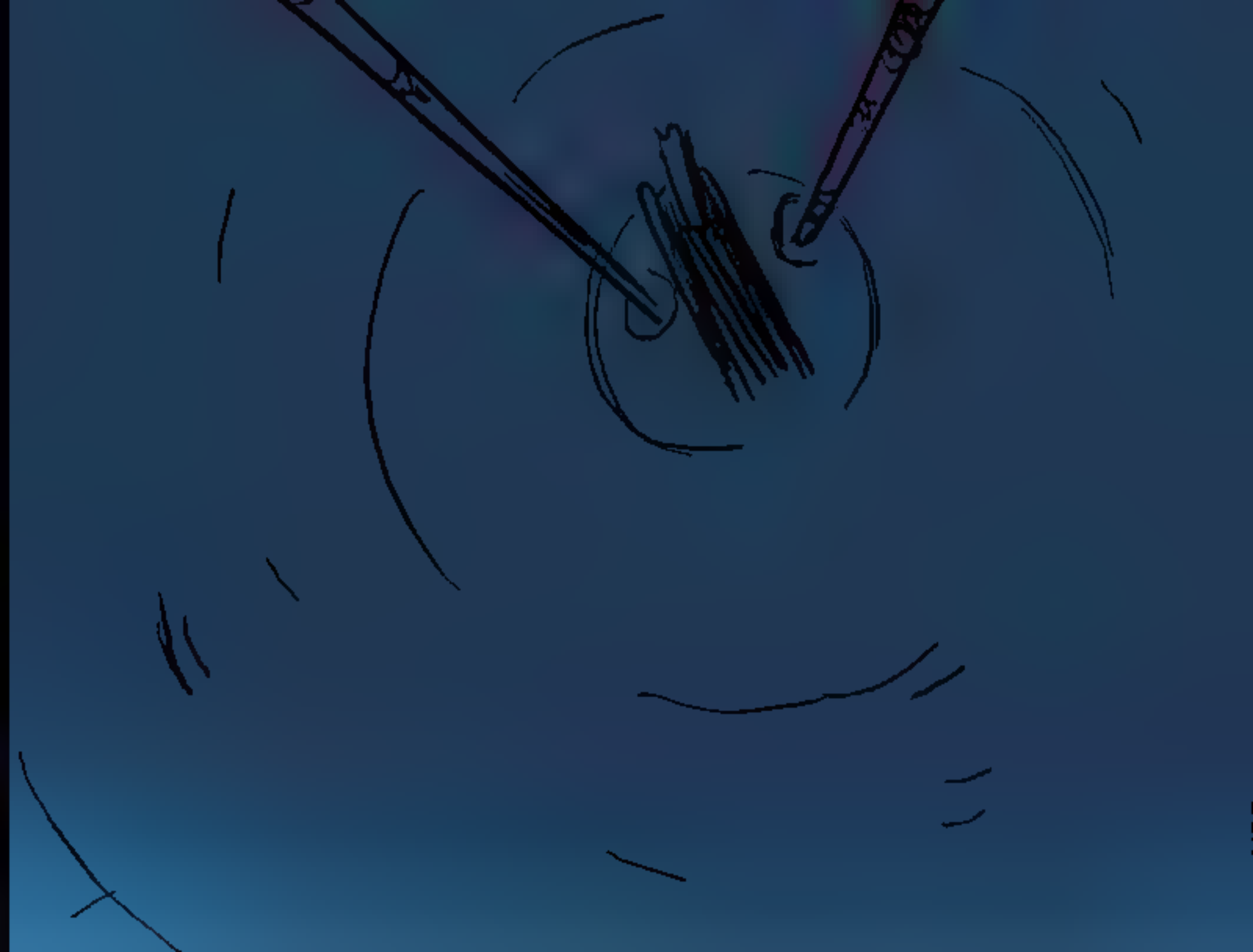
AT LEAST SHE SEEMS LESS HOSTILE. I GUESS SHE REALLY WAS JUST HUNGRY...
WHO CARES?
WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE!



I'M NOT SURE HOW WE'RE GOING TO MANAGE THAT...



WITH THIS THING BUSTED...
THERE'S NO WAY IT'LL PULL US UP.

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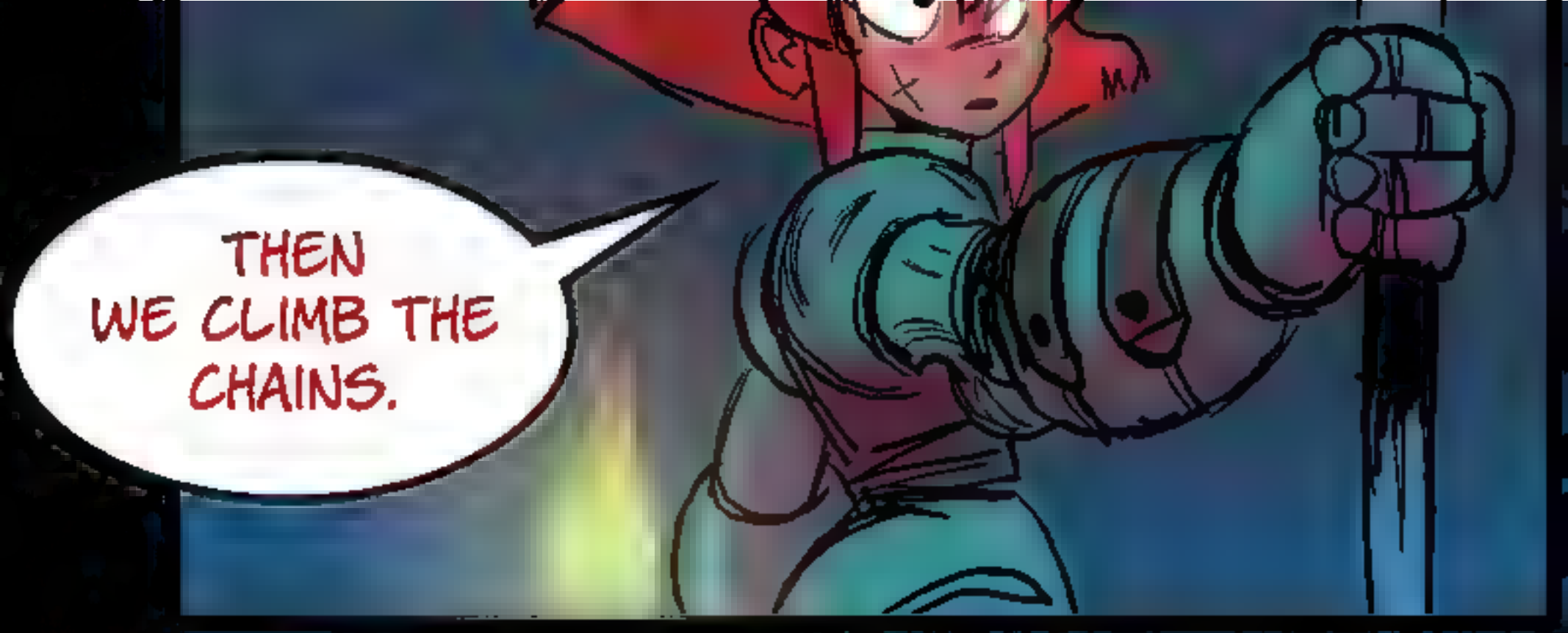

THEN
WE CLIMB THE
CHAINS.

IT'S TOO DANGEROUS... EVEN IF WE *HAD* THE STRENGTH TO MAKE IT ALL THE WAY UP, ONE MISTAKE AND THE FALL COULD KILL US!

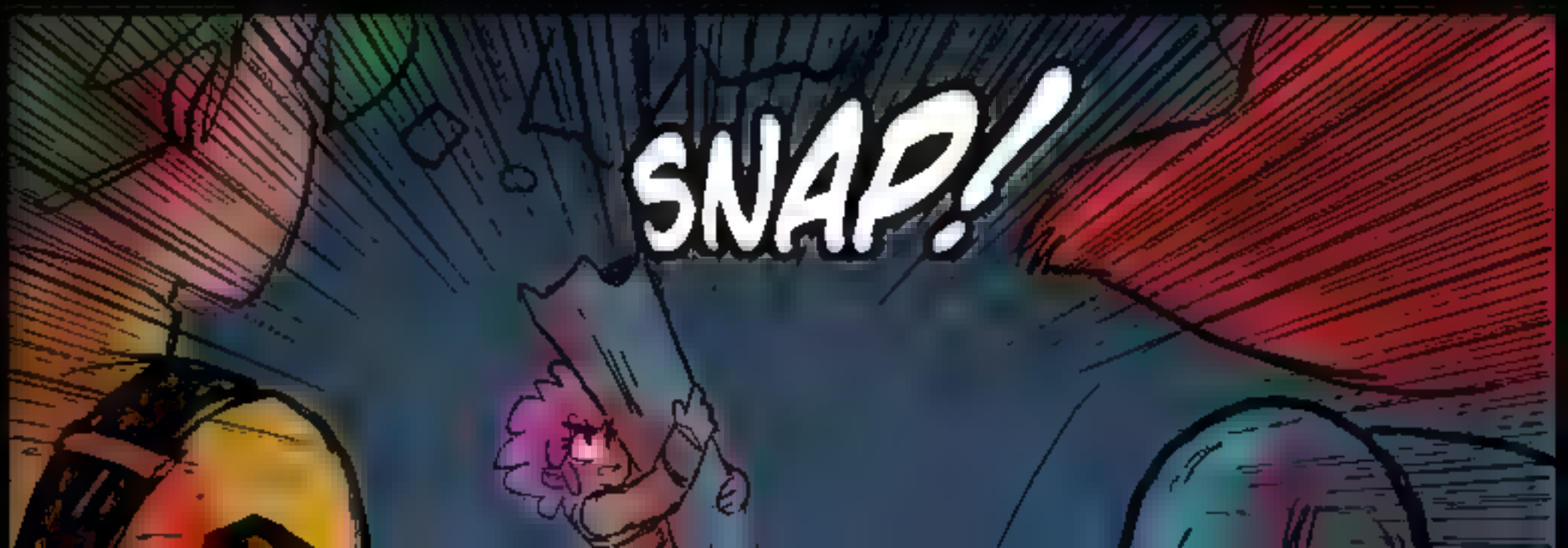
AND WHAT OF THY FLYING BOOTS?

UNFORTUNATELY, THESE JUST MAKE ME JUMP HIGHER... THEY CAN'T FLY.
LET'S

THINK...
IF WE COULD SOMEHOW EXERT A POWERFUL DOWNWARD FORCE ON THE CHAINS...

CRACKO

TURN
TURN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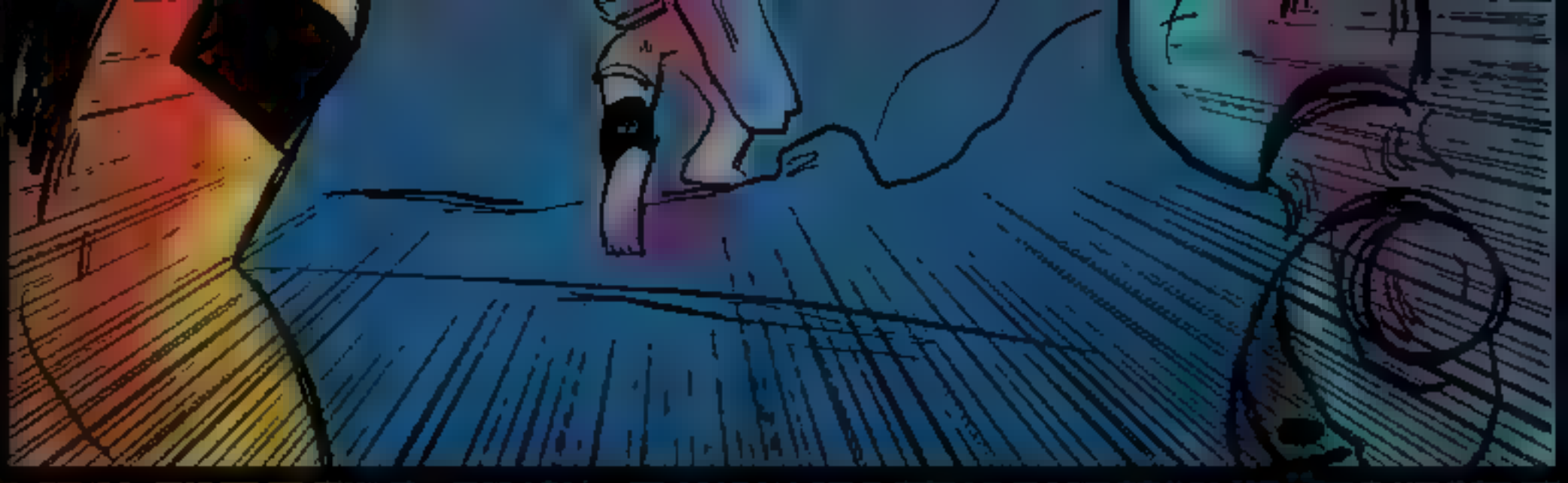

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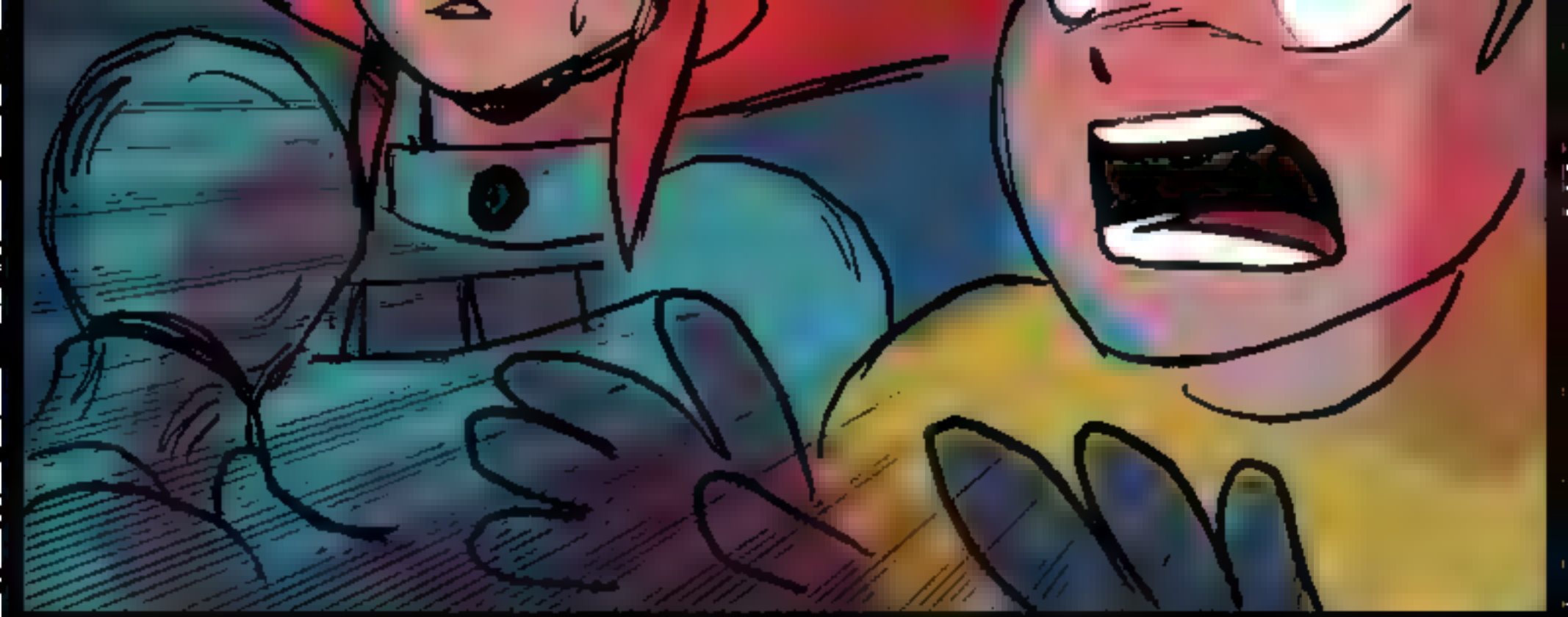
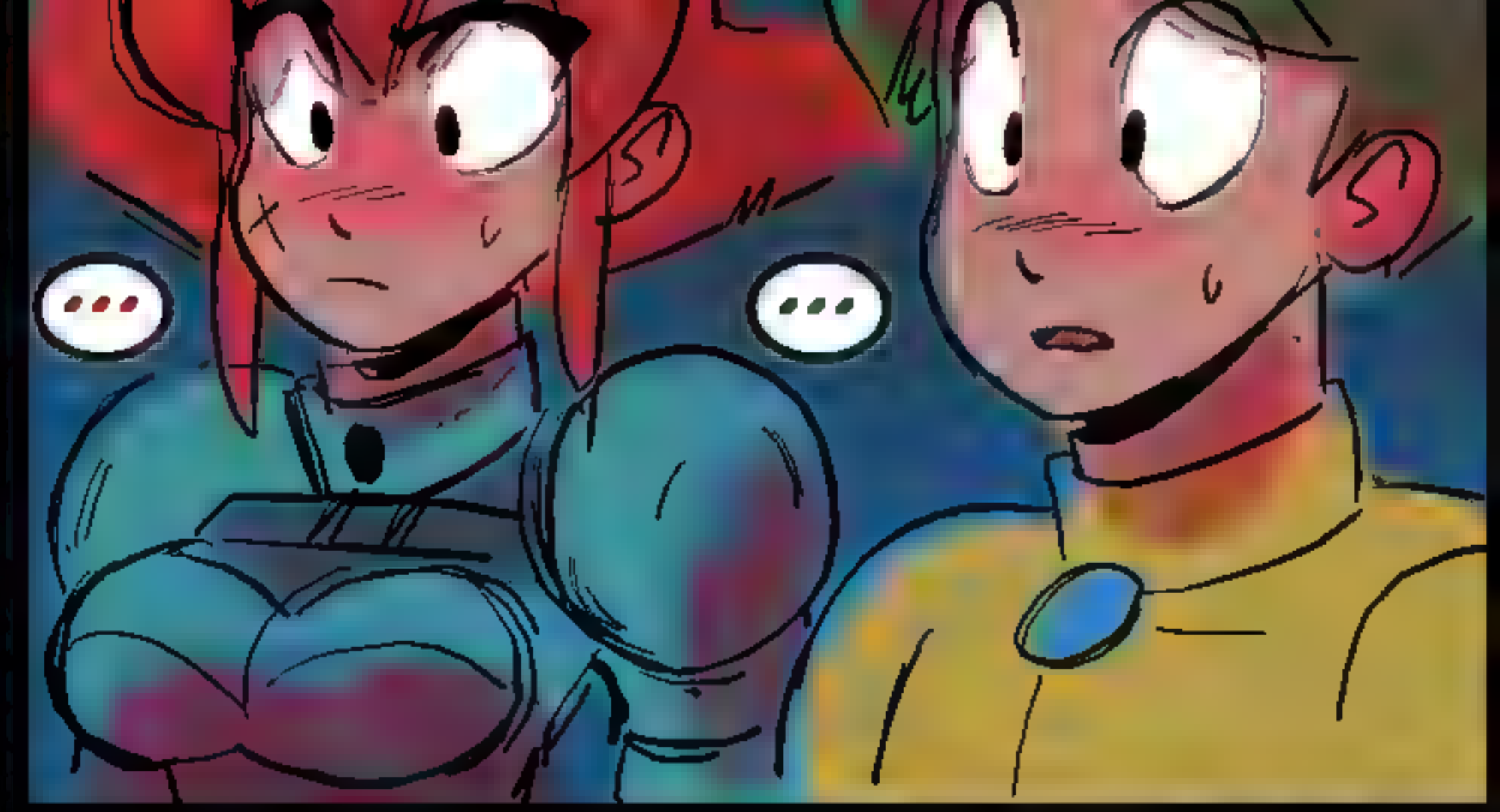
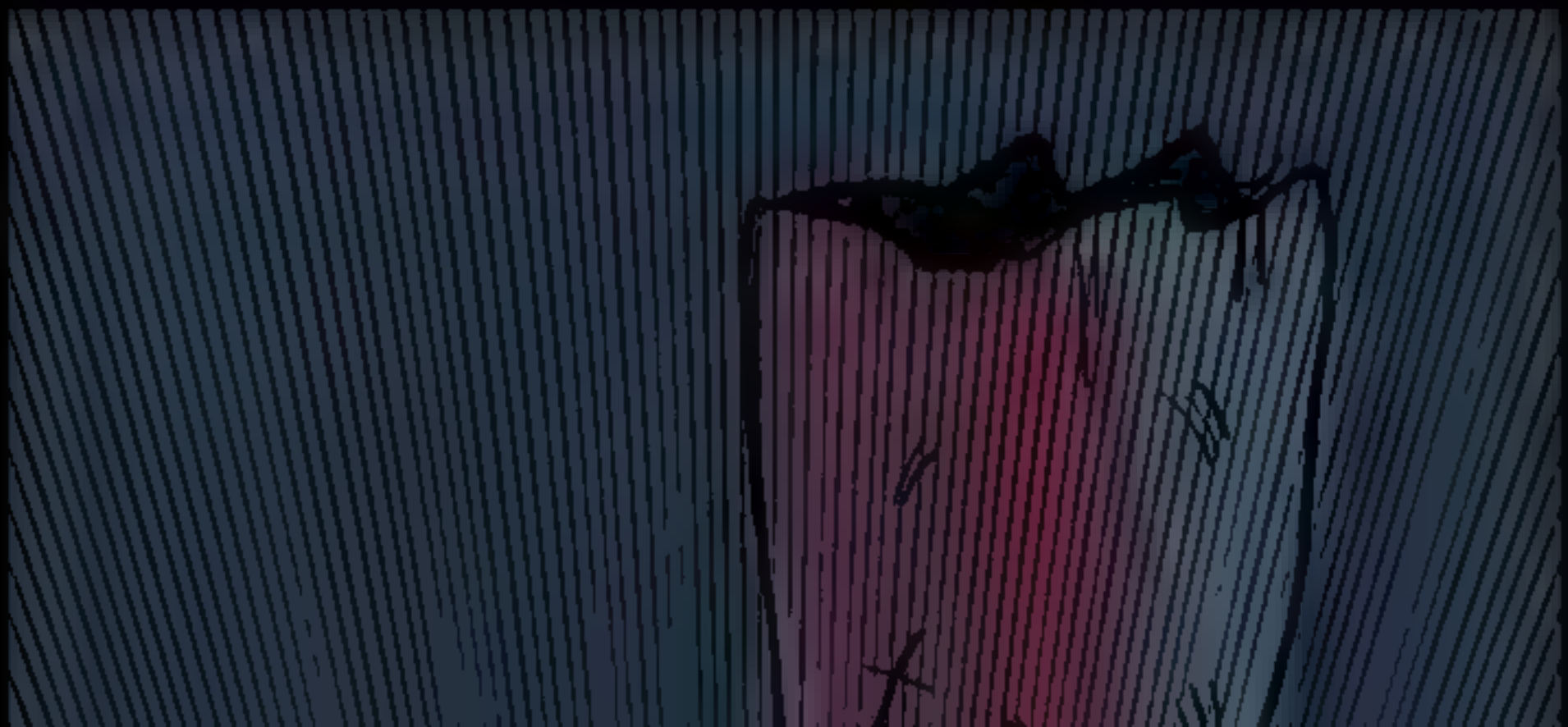
WHOA WHOA WHOA!







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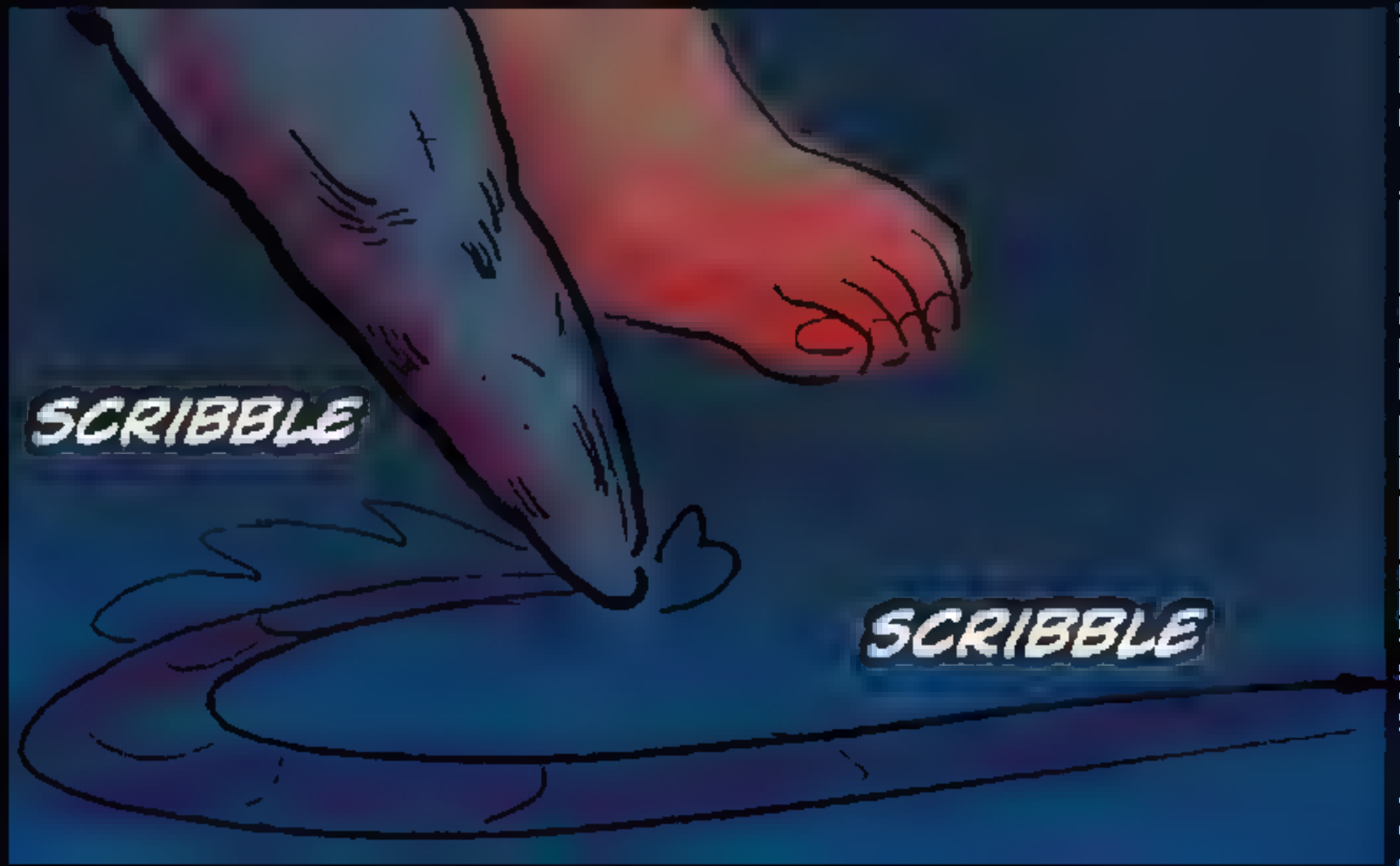
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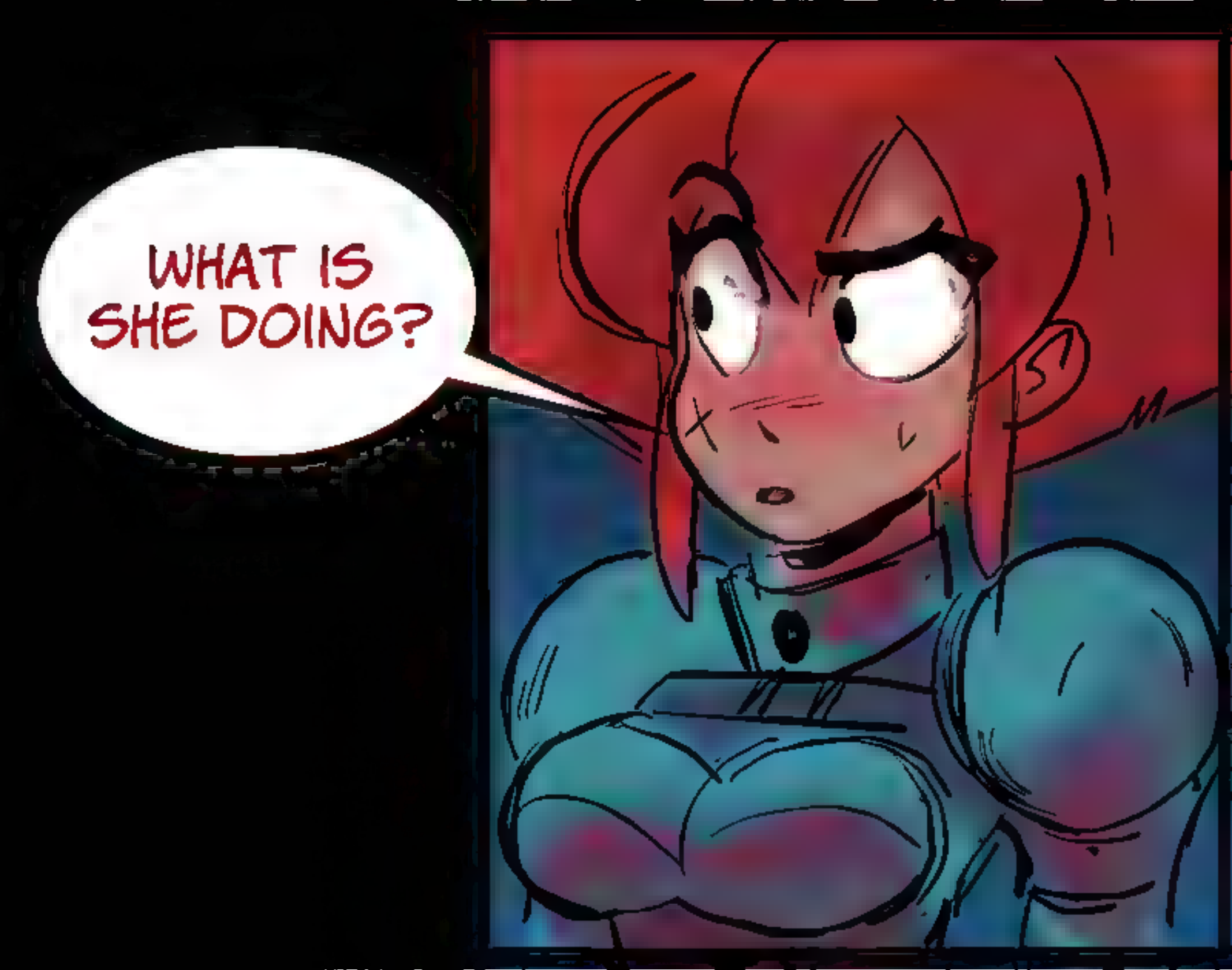
WHAT IS SHE DOING?

I THINK SHE'S TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING...

ROOM OF SWORDS

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